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Biden gets to work

President-elect makes pandemic his first priority

By WILL WEISSERT, PHILIP MARCELO and AAMER MADHANI
Associated Press

WILMINGTON, Delaware — President-elect Joe Biden signaled strongly on Monday that fighting the raging pandemic will be the immediate priority of his new administration, an abrupt shift from President Donald Trump's more unworried approach to the virus, as the nation surpassed 10 million COVID-19 cases.

Biden began with a direct appeal to all Americans to wear masks, a departure from Trump, who has mocked Biden and others who make a point of always wearing protective face coverings when around others. In an official move, the president-elect formed a coronavirus advisory board dominated by scientists and doctors, while Trump has had a falling out with the medical experts on his own virus task force.

The swift actions come at a critical moment in the U.S. effort to combat the coronavirus. Pharmaceutical giant Pfizer announced progress with its vaccine trial, helping send financial markets soaring. But surging caseloads, including new infections among leading figures in Trump's administration, offered a fresh reminder that the nation is still in the grip of the worst pandemic in more than a century.

"The challenge before us right now is still immense and growing, and so is the need for bold action to fight this pandemic," Biden said after being briefed on the virus. "We are still facing a dark winter."

He called on Americans to separate politics from the virus and embrace mask-wearing.

Carolyn Kaster / AP

President-elect Joe Biden, joined by Vice President-elect Kamala Harris, speaks at The Queen theater on Monday in Wilmington, Del.

"We could save tens of thousands of lives if everyone would just wear a mask for the next few months. Not Democratic or Republican lives, American lives," Biden said. "Please, I implore you, wear a mask."

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Q&A

Don Campbell / HP staff

Mark Longstroth is a Michigan State University Extension educator based in Paw Paw, a post he has held since 1993. Longstroth, now contemplating retirement, may be Southwest Michigan's foremost expert on growing small fruit.

A long, fruitful career

Mark Longstroth reflects on his time as an MSU Extension educator

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

Q&A
MARK LONGSTROTH

KALAMAZOO — Mark Longstroth has spent the last three decades becoming an expert on small fruit in Southwest Michigan.

Now, as he nears retirement, the Kalamazoo resident expects his love of agriculture and fruit growers to remain a part of his life after work.

Born in Georgia, Longstroth lived in Idaho for 20 years before moving to Southwest Michigan.

Longstroth is best known as an educational resource for small fruit growers in Southwest Michigan. Having been a fruit educator for the Michigan State University Extension since 1993, he's reported on fruit and pest conditions for the MSU Extension and contributed articles on pests and diseases.

He's gone on to give numerous presentations on site selection, nutrition, fertilization, cultural practices and pest control for blueberries and other fruit.

In other words – the man knows his fruit.

Longstroth, 67, spoke with Herald-Palladium Staff Writer Tony Wittkowski and discussed his impending retirement and his time spent at MSU Extension's Van Buren County office.

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Spread of virus threatens in-person learning

Not enough subs available as more teachers enter quarantine

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

Several area school districts are moving to remote instruction or are considering it as the community spread of COVID-19 takes a toll.

The high number of teachers being exposed to the virus in the community – sending them to quarantine – is becoming a problem at some districts, especially when there aren't enough substitute teachers to fill the void.

River Valley School District closed all face-to-face instruction this week due to "many students and staff in isolation and or quarantined."

"We do not have the extra staff to maintain an adequate learning environment for face-to-face instruction," district officials told parents on Sunday.

St. Joseph Public Schools is moving some of its classes to a virtual setting for the second half of this week.

Superintendent Bruce Thomas sent out a message late Sunday to staff and families that the district would move its sixth-through 12th-grade classes to remote learning for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday as a trial run.

On Monday, Bruce confirmed the decision was made after more of the district's staff and students were going to be in quarantine after a weekend that saw the number of coronavirus cases skyrocket in Berrien County.

"We got through the weekend and were hit really hard," Bruce said. "Our first-grade class at Lincoln Elementary School is pretty much out for the week. We also had a few high school students who are isolating."

Bruce and other district officials have discussed different scenarios in the event that in-person learning becomes unmanageable.

When St. Joseph schools reopened in the fall, the district held a couple remote learning days in the first week, slowly introducing portions of its students at a time to ensure its devices and other equipment could manage at-home learning.

Now, as the district reaches its 11th week of the school year, Bruce said they are testing out the format to see if it is still an option. Bruce said hybrid learning – which involves a cycle of students coming to school in person while others learn from home – is still on the table.

"We believe kids will continue to congregate, but not use the precautions used in school," Bruce said. "At the same time, hybrid learning would cut class sizes in half and keep some in-person learning."

In addition to considering students' safety, Bruce said the district can't afford to lose any more teachers or custodians to quarantine and self-isolation.

With multiple openings for substitute teachers throughout Berrien County, Bruce said the number of coronavirus cases among the district's staff has been increasing over the past three weeks.

"This weekend was probably the hardest we've been hit among staff members. Before that, it was a few here and there. But it's been more widespread this weekend," Bruce said. "As we head to Thanksgiving, it makes you wonder what this looks like in the coming weeks."

Lakeshore Superintendent Phil Freeman told trustees during a board meeting Monday that 33 teachers

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Berrien shifts methods in COVID-19 fight

With caseload surging, residents asked to take 'personal responsibility' when they are exposed

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — The Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) is shifting how it prioritizes COVID-19 case investigations and asking residents to take personal responsibility and action.

"With the significant increase in cases, it has become increasingly more difficult to rapidly contact everyone who has tested positive or who is considered a close contact of a positive case," Nicki Britten, health officer for the BCHD, said in a news release Monday.

The health department is now urging residents not to wait for the health department to call, but to take personal responsibility and action if someone becomes aware of a positive test result or potential exposure to COVID-19.

"We are asking our community to help reduce transmission. If you test positive, take action immediately by isolating and notifying close contacts. If you have been exposed to someone with the virus, please quarantine at home away from others. Isolation and quarantine remain important public health tools for us to cut off the chain of viral transmission within our community," Britten said in the news release.

In order for the BCHD to

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Much at stake as Supreme Court weighs future of 'Obamacare'

By RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When the Supreme Court weighs the fate of "Obamacare" on Tuesday, arguments will revolve around arcane points of law like severability – whether the justices can surgically snip out part of the law and leave the rest.

But what's at stake has real-world consequences for just about every American, as well as the health care industry, a major source of jobs and tax revenues. Whether the Affordable Care Act stays, goes, or is significantly changed, will affect the way life is lived in the U.S.

The argument against the law from the Trump administration and conservative states is that the 10-year-old statute was rendered unconstitutional in its entirety when Congress dialed down to zero a penalty on those remaining uninsured. The court has shifted solidly to the political right under President Donald Trump. Here's a look at some of what's at stake if the opponents of the law prevail:

COVID-19 a new pre-existing condition

Before the ACA, insurers could turn a person down for an individual policy, or charge them more, based on their medical history. The nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation estimates that about 54 million working-age adults have health issues that would have made them "uninsurable" before former President Barack Obama's signature law.

Tens of millions more have issues that could have led to higher premiums. Female gender was one, as insurers routinely charged women more.

COVID-19 would become America's newest pre-existing condition, for more than 10 million people who have tested positive so far.

Under the ACA, a coronavirus case cannot be used to deny someone coverage or charge them more. If Obamacare is gone, that becomes a real question.

Trump promised to always protect people with preexisting conditions, but never said how he'd do it.

Coverage for more than 20 million

The ACA's two main programs for covering uninsured people would be wiped out if the law is overturned, leaving more than 20 million people uninsured unless a divided Congress can put a new safety net in place.

About 12 million low-income people are covered through the health law's Medicaid expansion, now available in most states. Most of them are adults working in jobs that don't pay all that much, and don't come with health insurance. Some have lost jobs in businesses like hotels, restaurants, and movie theaters, which continue to struggle because of the pandemic.

Another group, more than 11 million people, has private coverage purchased through taxpayer-subsidized private markets such as HealthCare.gov

That's also in jeopardy.

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Poker Lotto
JC-KD-QH-JS-10C
Midday Daily 3
9-4-8
Midday Daily 4
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Daily 3
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Daily 4
0-0-2-8
Fantasy 5
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01-10-11-12-21-26-27-30-33-34-40-44-48-51-53-56-61-62-67-69-72-74
Mega Millions jackpot
$152 million

Powerball jackpot
$158 million

Sunday drawings

Indiana
Cash 5
04-10-23-36-43
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19-30-38-41-55, Cash Ball: 1
Quick Draw Midday
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Daily Three-Midday
7-0-0, SB: 2
Daily Three-Evening
3-0-5, SB: 3
Daily Four-Midday
1-6-3-7, SB: 2
Daily Four-Evening
7-6-8-5, SB: 3
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LuckyDay Lotto Midday
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Pick Three-Midday
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Pick Three-Evening
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Trump faces long odds in challenging state vote counts

By MARYCLAIRE DALE
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A woman wears a Trump flag as a cape as supporters of President Donald Trump protest outside the Pennsylvania Convention Center, where vote counting continues, in Philadelphia on Monday.

Republican surrogates for President Donald Trump resumed their legal fight Monday to try to stop the vote count in key battleground states, including Pennsylvania and Michigan, but faced long odds given the Electoral College tally and recent court rulings that found no evidence of widespread vote fraud.

While some Republican officials invoked the Trump mantra that only "legal votes" should be counted, others emerged to counter the campaign narrative and urge voters, and perhaps the president, to support the results.

"The process has not failed our country in more than 200 years, and it is not going to fail our country this year," said Republican Sen. Susan Collins of Maine, who won her reelection bid and has congratulated President-elect Joe Biden on his victory.

Still, Trump lawyers soldiered on six days after the election, just as personal counsel Rudy Giuliani had promised they would during a surreal weekend press conference outside a landscaping storefront in northeast Philadelphia.

Giuliani denounced the city's vote count – which fell about 4-1 for Biden, giving the Democrat the win Saturday in both Pennsylvania and the U.S. election – as "extremely troubling."

Across the country, Republicans have complained about problems with the signatures, secrecy envelopes and postal marks on mail-in ballots, the inability of their poll watchers to scrutinize them and the extensions granted for mail-in ballots to arrive. They filed another lawsuit Monday evening in federal court in Pennsylvania.

Attorney General William Barr on Monday authorized federal prosecutors across the U.S. to pursue "substantial allegations of voting and vote tabulation irregularities" before the election is certified.

His action, described in a memo to U.S. attorneys across the country, gives prosecutors the ability to go around longstanding Justice Department policy that normally would prohibit such overt actions before the election is formally certified.

Judges have largely rejected the Republican challenges over the past week, when the campaign sought to interrupt the vote count as it leaned toward Biden. Trump has yet to concede the election, even as the former vice president claimed victory and got to work on his transition plans.

At the U.S. Supreme Court, 10 Republican state attorneys general filed an amicus brief Monday to support a challenge to Pennsylvania's decision to count mail-in ballots that arrived through Friday. The Pennsylvania Supreme Court had agreed with Democratic state officials who wanted to extend the deadline amid concerns about Postal Service delays and the COVID-19 pandemic. The attorneys general say the court usurped a power reserved for state lawmakers.

The U.S. Supreme Court had declined to fast-track the challenge, but the vote was 4-4, and three justices expressed reservations. Republicans now hope to try again with new Supreme Court Justice Amy Coney Barrett on the court. The attorneys general believe the extra time meant "unscrupulous actors could attempt to influence a close Presidential election."

BIDEN

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Over the past two weeks, the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases has risen nearly 65 percent. The 7-day rolling average for daily new cases in the U.S. went from 66,294 on Oct. 25 to 108,736.7 on Sunday. In the past week, one of every 433 Americans was diagnosed with COVID-19, and hospitals in several states are running out of space and staff.

Biden noted the pandemic's disproportionate toll on people of color as he called on Americans to separate politics from the virus and embrace mask-wearing. "Focusing on these communities is one of our priorities, not an afterthought," Biden said.

Pfizer said Monday that its COVID-19 vaccine may be a remarkable 90 percent effective, based on early and incomplete test results. The drugmaker said it was on track to file an emergency use request with regulators later this month.

Throughout his ultimately unsuccessful campaign, Trump insisted the nation was "rounding the corner" on the coronavirus and that a vaccine was imminent even as infection rates grew. The president, who has yet to publicly acknowledge Biden's victory, seized on Pfizer's announcement and the positive reaction in financial markets.

"STOCK MARKET UP BIG, VACCINE COMING SOON. REPORT 90% EFFECTIVE. SUCH GREAT NEWS!" he tweeted.

Vice President Mike Pence held a meeting of the White House coronavirus task force on Monday. He tweeted that Pfizer's reported progress was "HUGE NEWS" and suggested it was the result of a "public-private partnership forged" by Trump.

In fact, Pfizer has funded all its own research. It has a contract to sell doses to the U.S. government if a vaccine is approved but has insisted on handling its own shipping.

The White House task force, which includes the federal government's leading infectious disease expert, Dr. Anthony Fauci, has been diminished in recent months as Trump grew impatient with efforts to slow the virus that were having a deleterious impact on the economy.

A top Trump administration health official delivered much the same message as Biden, although the timing was coincidental and the occasion apolitical.

Brett Giroir, assistant secretary for health administration, said that Americans must "double down" on the "3 W's" – watching their distance from others, wearing masks when that's not possible, and washing their hands frequently. He also said states and local communities must ramp up testing.

The advisory board that Biden announced on Monday includes doctors and scientists who have served in previous administrations, many of them experts in public health, vaccines and infectious disease.

It will be led by former Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy, former Food and Drug Administration Commissioner David Kessler and Yale University public health care expert Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith.

Rick Bright, a vaccine expert and former head of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, is also on the board. He had filed a whistleblower complaint alleging he was reassigned to a lesser job because he resisted political pressure to allow widespread use of hydroxychloroquine, a malaria drug pushed by Trump as a COVID-19 treatment.

Other members include Dr. Luciana Borio, who had senior leadership positions at the FDA and National Security Council during the Obama and Trump administrations; Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel, who served as a special adviser for health policy in the Obama administration; Dr. Atul Gawande, a senior adviser in the Department of Health and Human Services in the Clinton administration and medical writer; and Michael Osterholm, an epidemiologist who served as an adviser to Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson during the George W. Bush administration.

Biden also spoke by phone on Monday with Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, and much of their conversation was focused on the pandemic.

Public health officials warn that the U.S. could be entering the worst stretch yet for COVID-19 as winter sets in and the holiday season approaches, increasing the risk of rapid transmission as Americans travel, shop and celebrate with loved ones.

"The next two months are going to be rough, difficult ones," said Dr. Albert Ko, an infectious disease specialist and department chairman at the Yale School of Public Health. "We could see another 100,000 deaths by January."

LONGSTROTH

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What are some of your responsibilities as a fruit educator?

I do scouting of the fruit crops growing in Southwest Michigan for insects, diseases and other things growers should know. We normally do in-person meetings with fruit growers. But this year we went virtual because of the pandemic. We publish a report every week from April through August to remind growers what they should be doing.

How has the virtual format been?

There are mixed reviews. Most who have gotten on have liked it. The number of people who attend the meetings has doubled. One of the drawbacks for the in-person meetings is you would have people driving in from Allegan and Calhoun counties. Now they don't have to travel. Then there are the people who don't have internet and don't like the new format.

But we have people from all over Michigan and Ontario now tuning in. Because of the diversity of fruit corps in Southwest Michigan, we are one of the only online sources of information for those fruits. It's a one shop fits all kind of thing.

When did you know you want to pursue a career in agriculture, specifically with fruit?

I got a bachelor's in biology at Boise State in Idaho. The university had an opening for someone who could identify plants in the field. I applied for the job. They already had someone in mind. I was hired on as a soil technician. By the end of the season, the guy running asked if I wanted a full-time job. Ever since then, I loved working with fruit.

Prior to this revelation, did you have another career in mind?

I wanted to originally be an oceanographer. It seemed more like a possibility than becoming an astronaut.

Before coming to Michigan, you worked as the orchard manager/scientific technician for the University of Idaho's Parma Agricultural Experiment Station. What was the transition like working in Michigan?

There are some similarities. But Michigan has a completely different growing environment. South Idaho was like a desert. It doesn't rain very much in the summer or fall. Getting used to the humidity in Michigan took awhile.

I remember working at an orchard (in Michigan) when it started to rain. I got in the truck and noticed no one else left. They said we would never get any work done if we left every time it rained.

How did you find yourself with the MSU Extension?

When the person who had this position retired, I applied and they hired me. The guy thought I had the personality to be a really good extension agent. I think most of the growers would agree with him. I really enjoy the work and enjoy helping people.

What's the hardest part about being a fruit educator in this region?

Maintaining good contacts with everybody. There are growers who are well-connected with the extension and understand it's an information pipeline. There are others who don't use it, or new growers who are not aware that I'm here. Technology is catching up. The way we grew fruit in the '70s and '80s is not productive compared to the ways we do now.

You work with Southwest Michigan farmers on a regular basis. Every fruit farmer I interview seems to know you on a personal level. How would you collectively describe this group of growers to a stranger?

It's a wide-ranging group. You have your young, excited growers who are anxious to try new things, to old, established growers who have always done things the same way. In general, it's a group who gives you a hard time and teases you until you earn their respect.

What is the biggest challenge Southwest Michigan fruit farmers face in 2021?

The industry is facing a challenge in having to produce the fruit they do and make a profit. Growers have worked hard to increase their yields and add new varieties. We're being strapped by competition from other areas. It used to be every little growing region had a good time of year. Now peaches or blueberries or apples are available every week of the year. Remaining profitable has become very difficult.

I know you mentioned you were considering retirement. Do you have anything in mind that you would do?

I was going to go on a Caribbean cruise, but that won't happen. I'll likely do some consulting. Growers keep asking when I'm retiring and if I'll change my number.

I don't plan on leaving Michigan. I really like it here and will continue to hep the industry.

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ST. JOSEPH

Commission OKs Silver Beach erosion project

Will partner with Berrien County

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — St. Joseph will partner with Berrien County to pay for a proposed erosion control project at the south end of Silver Beach.

Following a vote of the St. Joseph City Commission on Monday, the city will offer to contribute 50 percent of the project cost, or a maximum of $65,821.25, to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund.

County officials have selected Triple D Excavating of Eau Claire to do the project at a cost of $119,675 with a contingency amount of $11,967.50, for a total maximum cost of $131,642.50. The Berrien County Board of Commissioners is expected to approve the project Thursday.

At the south end of Silver Beach, erosion has progressed and exposed rip rap that was placed during a previous period of high water, believed to be in the 1970s. The rip rap is adjacent to the sidewalk at the south end of the park, which was constructed by Berrien County as part of the development of Silver Beach County Park, but was built within the Lake Street right of way.

City and county staff have monitored and discussed this situation over the course of the year. The concern is that continued erosion could cause the failure of the sidewalk, and if left unchecked, could jeopardize Lake Street.

Berrien County has developed a plan and obtained permits to provide interim protection there. The plan involves supplementing and reshaping the existing rip rap and adding larger stones.

The work covers an area of approximately 250 feet extending north from the revetment built by the city to the south side of Park Street this spring, and then provides an extended flank for 150 feet to the north composed of HESCO barriers, which are wire mesh and heavy duty fabric containers filled with sand.

Director of Public Services Tom MacDonald presented the proposal in the absence Monday night of City Manager John Hodgson. He said residents might have seen HESCO barriers at South Beach in South Haven, where they were placed earlier this year to reduce erosion during this summer's high water levels.

Berrien County has taken bids for the project. County staff is recommending approval of the low bid and base bid, which was $119,675, and a 10 percent contingency amount in the event of unanticipated circumstances, which would bring the total authorized amount to $131,642.50.

The request was reviewed by the County Administration Committee last week and is recommended for approval. It was expected to be reviewed by the county's Personnel and Human Services Committee today, then go to the county board for a vote on Thursday.

The sidewalk is in close proximity to Lake Street and is heavily used, and staff believes it is appropriate to work together to provide protection for the sidewalk and street, rather than to have separate efforts.

The city commission, if the county approves the project, authorizes the city manager and city attorney to enter into an agreement with Berrien County for the project.

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St. Joseph city officials are working with the county to combat erosion near the south end of Silver Beach in St. Joseph.

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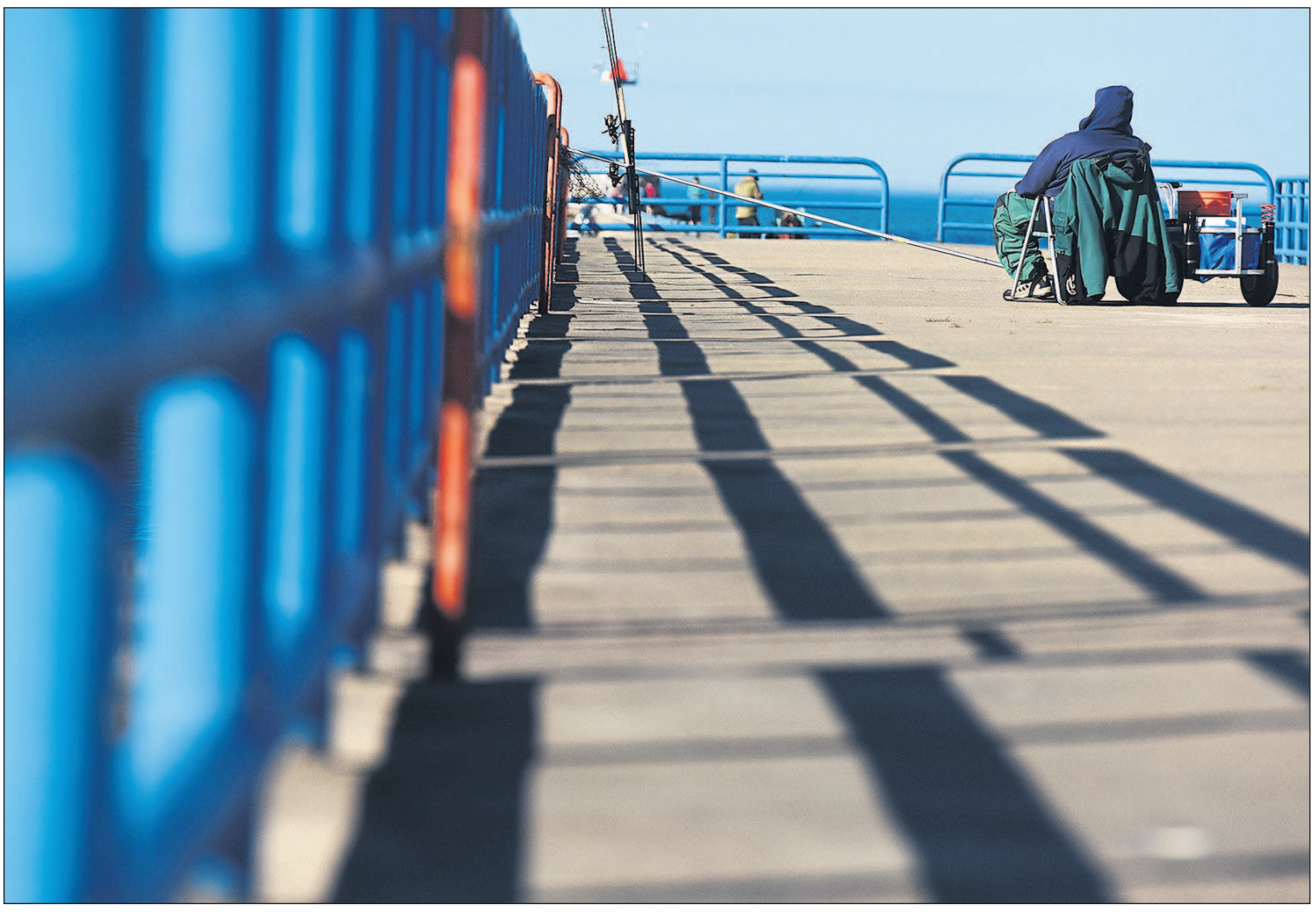

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A fisherman takes advantage of unseasonably warm weather as he fishes Lake Michigan from the South Pier on Monday morning in St. Joseph.

WATERVLIET SCHOOLS

Board now set for school district

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

WATERVLIET — The unusual situation with last week's Watervliet school board race has been sorted out.

The board interviewed and appointed Brian Gruszczyk to fill the seat left by the resignation of Matt Clay last month.

Gruszczyk was the fourth highest vote-getter in the race last week for three seats on the board, though Clay was the third-highest vote-getter.

After asking Gruszczyk questions, like what he would bring to the district and what he thinks about working with the board and administration, the board appointed him unanimously.

In addition, the board appointed Wendy Hart to complete the term of the school board seat she won in last week's election as a write-in candidate. The partial term starts in January, but the seat was already open due to a resignation.

Gruszczyk and Hart will be sworn in at December's meeting due to the vacancies, while Bill Spaulding, who won re-election, and Kimberly Adams, who was newly elected, will be sworn in at January's meeting.

In other personnel matters, the board hired Brandon Waggoner as the district's new director of curriculum and state and federal programs.

Superintendent Ric Seager said 31 quality people applied for the position, which was more than he thought would at this point in the school year.

Waggoner joins the district from Berrien Springs Public Schools. He will replace Susan Toothman, who resigned earlier this school year.

The board also hired Elena Alvarado as the English-language learner migrant aid at South Elementary School.

In other business, the board heard an audit report and a budget update Monday night.

Finance Director Rita Broekema said the budget this school year has been breaking even so far, with extra COVID-19 expenses and extra COVID-19 revenues from the state factored in.

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ST. JOSEPH SCHOOLS

Board reinforces commitment to education equity, diversity

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
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ST. JOSEPH — The St. Joseph school board on Monday night showed its intent to foster equity in education across the district.

Trustees unanimously approved a resolution addressing the processes for hiring and training staff, reviewing and improving curriculum and instructional practices, and assessing the academic growth of all students.

Superintendent Thomas Bruce said the resolution strengthens the district's commitment to ensuring all students have equal access and resources to meet their goals in the district.

"In a quest for meeting the needs of the current and future workforce, it is imperative that all SJPS students have access to a high-quality education, have the resources to meet their goals and in the end, are opportunity-ready for whatever comes their way in their world," Bruce said.

Dating back to the last academic school year, the board had ongoing discussions on an effort to define its goals and mission for the school district and community.

Over time, the resolution took shape.

"The board of education understands the difficult reality facing many of our students and we must do everything in our power to foster diverse and equitable systems throughout our school community," said Board President Barry Conybeare. "The resolution is the board's message to our students, families and staff that we intend to make real, positive and lasting improvement related to inclusion, diversity and equity."

In September, the district formed the Task Force for Inclusion, Diversity and Equity, also known as TIDE, to continue the work started in previous years.

The task force has four subcommittees. They focus on leadership and community; equitable hiring and retention; staff development and instruction; and achievement and discipline.

TIDE is comprised of community partners, school board members, school staff, students and administration officials.

Members include Conybeare, Bruce, high school Principal Greg Blomgren, four high school students, and representatives from the Boys and Girls Club, Berrien RESA, Oakland County schools, Spectrum Health Lakeland and the OutCenter of Southwest Michigan.

"Our district had recognized we may not have been meeting all the students' needs, at all times," Bruce said Monday. "We wanted to be focused and intentional with this effort. We feel this is something that can last for a number of years."

Other agenda items

Bryan Parsons, the district's technology director, said staff is still in the process of getting the new Chromebooks ready for students to use. He said about 1,500 of those 2,600 devices were ready, as of Monday.

This comes after the district's initial purchase of those Chromebooks has been delayed since June.

"It's been a huge effort," Parsons told trustees. "But when we're going through all these other struggles to deliver instruction, these devices will help."

Alex Schaeffer of Kruggel Lawton gave an audit report for the school district. St. Joseph schools received an unmodified opinion on the report, the most favorable result from an audit.

Conybeare was attending the board meeting virtually, as he was in quarantine this week.

The next board meeting is at 6 p.m. on Dec. 7 at the high school student center.

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Area police to boost seat belt enforcement

By HP STAFF

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches and more drivers hit the roads, the Berrien County Sheriff's Office is reminding all drivers of the importance of seat belt use.

The Berrien County Sheriff's Office will take part in the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's "Click it or Ticket" high-visibility enforcement campaign, which runs from Monday through Nov. 29.

The campaign is aimed at enforcing seat belt use to help keep people safe during the busy travel season.

Berrien County Sheriff Paul Bailey said buckling up is the simplest way people can limit injury or save their life during a crash.

According to the NHTSA, there were seven fatalities on Michigan roads in 2019 over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Four of the deaths involved drivers or passengers who were not wearing seat belts.

Bailey said that while the "Click it or Ticket" campaign is about awareness and education, police will be taking a no-excuse approach to seat belt enforcement and will issue citations.

IN BRIEF

One dead in Monday crash near Watervliet

WATERVLIET — The Berrien County Sheriff's Office is investigating a fatal vehicle crash that occurred Monday on County Line Road near 66th Avenue in Watervliet Township.

The sheriff's office said Robert Clem, 58, of Hartford, died at the scene of the 11:02 a.m. accident.

Police said Ernesto Garcia, 60, of South Haven was driving a 1998 Volvo semi-truck and trailer when he turned south onto County Line Road from an open field.

Clem was driving a 2003 Buick vehicle south on County Line Road and his vehicle rear-ended the semi, causing extensive damage, police said.

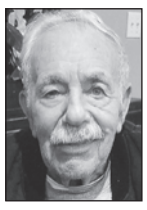
Lt. Steve Campbell said the crash remains under investigation, and a final report will be submitted to the Berrien County prosecutor for review.

Sheriff's deputies were assisted by the Berrien County Sheriff's Accident Reconstruction Team, the Sister Lakes Fire Department, Michigan State Police and Pride Care ambulance.

OBITUARIES

Harold Herbert Mensinger

Sept. 4, 1923 – Nov. 2, 2020



Harold Herbert Mensinger, 97, of Buchanan passed away Monday, Nov. 2, 2020, at Woodland Terrace, Bridgman.

A private family service was held, and Harold was laid to rest next to his wife, Dora, in Weesaw Township Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be given to Trinity Lutheran Church of Glendora, 1733 W. Glendora Road, Buchanan, MI 49107; or New Troy Grace Brethren Church, 13310 California Road, New Troy, MI 49119.

Online condolences can be left at www.PikeFH.com.

Harold was born Sept. 4, 1923, in Benton Harbor, the son of the late John and Olga (Zielke) Mensinger. On Oct. 26, 1946, he married Dora Machan, who preceded him in death on March 18, 2008.

Harold was a U.S. Navy veteran. Although he worked and retired from Whirlpool Corp., his heart was in farming his land. He and Dora tended their grapes, cattle and grain. Harold was a faithful member of New Troy Grace Brethren Church.

Survivors include a niece, Heidi (Ryan) nee Siewert Schmaltz; a nephew, Philip Siewert of Stevensville; and dear friends, Shirley (August) Skala.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, Boyd Chapel, 9191 Red Arrow Highway, Bridgman.

Gary Little

Oct. 24, 1952 – Nov. 5, 2020

Gary Alan Little, 68, of Benton Harbor passed away suddenly Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

Interment will be held privately, with a celebration of life to occur at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be given to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan, www.humanesocietyswm.org.

Those wishing to leave an online condolence for the family can do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Gary was born Oct. 24, 1952, in St. Joseph to Ralph and Shirley (Dusoe) Little.

He was a graduate of Benton Harbor High School. Gary recently retired from LECO after 30 years as a machinist. If he wasn't taking a cruise around town, you'd find him at the Chatterbox, enjoying Michigan football, and the Chicago Bears and Cubs with his many friends.

Gary will be missed by his children, Julie Larson and Jeffrey Little; his stepdaughter, Bailey (Jared) Gruss; his grandchildren, Jaxon, Jenna, Tori, Nicholas, Madison and Logan; his great-granddaughter, Cameron; his mother, Shirley; his sister, Linda (Steve) Davis; his partner, Teri Gillespie; his beloved dogs, Jack and Hetty; and several nieces, nephews and extended family.

He is preceded in death by his son, Jamey Little; his father, Ralph; and his brother, Rodger Little.

Eddie Lee Foriest

Sept. 13, 1943 – Nov. 2, 2020

Eddie Lee Foriest Sr., 77, of Benton Township died Monday, Nov. 2, 2020, at his home.

Services celebrating his life will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service, in Benton Township with Pastor Diane Singh officiating. Burial will follow at North Shore Memory Gardens.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the time of the service Thursday at the Fairplain Chapel. Please share messages, memories or photos at www.florin.net.

Eddie was born on Sept. 13, 1943, in Portageville, Mo., to Mack and Mary Foriest.

In 1966 he married his wife, Lorraine Hurse, and she preceded him in death in 2013. Together they celebrated 47 years of marriage.

Eddie was a longtime member of the Greater Grace Temple, where he was head deacon. Eddie retired in 1990 as foreman after 43 years of employment at Weil-McClain Company. He loved reading the Bible and spending time with his family.

His family includes his children: Darold Foriest of Atlanta, Jarold (Dorothy) Foriest of Houston, Eddie Foriest Jr., of Mesa, Ariz., and Marlene Foriest of Clarksville, Tenn.; his 13 grandchildren; his five great-grandchildren; and special friend, Glenda F. Harris.

He was also preceded in death by his daughter, Arlene; his son, Victor; his brother, Mack; and his two sisters: Gracie and Louise.

A.W. Pankratz

Feb. 1, 1929 – Nov. 7, 2020

Rev. A.W. Pankratz, 91, of Stevensville passed away Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at Christ Lutheran Church, 4333 Cleveland Ave., Stevensville, with the Rev. Martin Measel officiating. Friends may meet with the family one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Hickory Bluff Cemetery, Stevensville. Memorials maybe made to Christ Lutheran Church.

Pastor Pankratz was born Feb. 1, 1929, in Detroit the son of the late Adolph and Bertha (Nelius) Pankratz Sr.

He graduated from Concordia Lutheran High School in Ft. Wayne, and Concordia Jr. and Sr. College. He then graduated from seminary in St. Louis. He spent a year serving his vicarage in Trinity Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, where he became acquainted with the lovely Southwest Michigan.

His first call was to North Highlands, Calif., to start a mission which was very successful with nearly 500 children in their Sunday school. He later accepted a call to the Irish Hills near Jackson, where he met and married Dorothy Bublick in February 1959.

In September of 1959 Adolph accepted a call to Hillman, and in 1968 to Trinity Lutheran Church, Sawyer. He served as counselor for a number of different organizations in the church and also a committee in the state House of Representatives with focus on "Families."

In 1964 he began to serve as a cruise chaplain and lasted for many decades. He served on over 100 cruises in Europe, South Pacific, South America and several trips to the Caribbean.

Adolph is survived by his wife of 61 years, Dorothy; sons: John Pankratz of Bridgman and Paul (Karla) Pankratz; the pride of his life, his granddaughter, Samantha, of Stevensville.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, Boyd Chapel, 9191 Red Arrow Hwy., Bridgman.

Anthony Coleman

Dec. 21, 1979 – Nov. 1, 2020

Anthony Melvin Coleman, 40, of Watervliet passed away suddenly Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020, at home.

Anthony was born Dec. 21, 1979, in Hendersonville, Tenn., the son of Anthony and Diana (Dandurand) Coleman. He was the owner of TMC Construction in Watervliet.

Anthony is survived by his son, Tayte Anthony Coleman; his parents; a grandmother, Verba Coleman; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, family members and friends.

Anthony is preceded in passing by a brother, Eric Wayne Coleman; and grandparents: Imogean Muff, Thomas Dandurand and Melvin Coleman.

The family will welcome friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at The Church Keeler, where the service to honor his memory will commence at 1 p.m., with Pastor Larry Nail officiating. Burial will follow in Crystal Springs Cemetery, Benton Harbor. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Anthony's name may be made to the family. Those wishing to express condolences for the family may do so at www.calvin-leonardfh.com.

Laurie Harte

July 23, 1965 – Nov. 7, 2020

Laurie M. Harte, 55, of St. Joseph, passed away at her home Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020.

A prayer service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, at with Father Adams officiating. Entombment will follow at North Shore Memory Gardens.

Friends may visit with the family from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Wednesday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Caring Circle-Hospice, 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph, MI 49085, or Paws of Hope, P.O. Box 13, Stevensville, MI, 49127. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Laurie was born on July 23, 1965, to John and Lois Jean (Sherry) Gnagi in Lansing. She graduated from Mayville High School.

Laurie worked as a press operator for various printing businesses for over 15 years. While working at Lake Michigan Mailers, she met Phillip Harte and eventually married him on April 25, 1998.

Laurie enjoyed crafting, listening to music, and cooking. She also loved hosting family events, such as game night, summer pool parties and Thanksgiving. She was fun loving, kind and especially devoted to her nieces and nephews.

Laurie is survived by her mother, Jean Gnagi; siblings: Marjorie (Robert) Mickaels, Brian Gnagi, and Christopher (Nancy) Gnagi; mother-in-law Barbara Harte; brothers-in-law Jeffery (Paulette) Harte, David Harte, Theodore "Teddy" Harte, William "Bill" (Elaine) Harte, Johnathan Harte, Patrick Harte and Thomas Starks; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Laurie was preceded in death by father, John Gnagi; husband, Phillip Harte; and sisters-in-law: Tracey Starks and Laura Spencer.

Diane Davis

June 14, 1953 – Nov. 5, 2020

Diane Davis, 67, of Benton Harbor departed this life Nov. 5, 2020 at home.

A service celebrating her life will be Nov. 11, at Word of Truth, Benton Harbor. The visitation begins at 11 a.m. followed by the service at noon. Those wishing to sign the guest book on line may do so at www.robbinsbrothersfh.com.

Diane was born June 14, 1953, in Benton Harbor to the late Elzo Bonds and Corrine Bonds.

She was a woman of great courage and loved everyone she met. Diane enjoyed creating memories with her family and in her younger days, Diane was a proud model for Catherine's Plus Size.

Diane accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age and was a member of Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Pastor Emery M. Varrie I.

Precious memories of her life will forever live in the heart of her children: Donna (Terry) Tyler, Charles Bonds, Calvin Bonds, and Yolanda (Roosevelt) Bell; (13) grandchildren; (20) great-grandchildren; one brother, Don Turner; two godchildren: Doris Sanders and Duane Houston; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Diane was preceded in death by her parents; and one brother, James Bogan.

Ray Humes

Jan. 16, 1938 – Nov. 8, 2020

Ray Humes, 82, of Bridgman passed away Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020.

A Memorial Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, 2020 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 3903 Lake St., Bridgman with Father Arthur Howard as celebrant.

Friends may meet with the family from 10-11 a.m. Saturday at the church prior to the service. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to the church. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

Ray was born Jan. 16, 1938, in Watervliet the son of the late Delbert and Jennie (Damico) Humes.

He married Sharon Ann Wiser on July 27, 1974, and she preceded him in death on Jan. 17, 2017.

Ray was a U.S. Navy veteran. He was a journeyman pressman by trade and worked in the printing and advertising industry. Ray and Sharon dedicated their lives to serving others at the Edwardsburg Ambulance Service for more than 16 years and he was the director for eight years.

Ray is survived by children: Douglas (Pam Kolberg) Humes, Gregory (Sandra) Humes, Sheri Bogunia, Michael (Kathy) Humes, Debra (Robert) Flager, Marla McIntire, Lisa Lubarsky and Lore Arrington; 24 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; brother, Kenneth Humes; and sisters: Brenda Wilson and Janice Angelo.

Ray was also preceded in death by a brother, Russell Humes.

Arrangements entrusted to the Boyd Chapel of Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, 9191 Red Arrow Hwy, Bridgman.

See more obituaries on Page A6

Allyn Scherer

April 5, 1956 – Nov. 7, 2020

Allyn Bruce "Bugsy" Scherer, 64, formerly of Dowagiac, now of Kimball, Mich., passed away Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, at his residence. Arrangements have been entrusted to Clark Chapel, 405 Center St., Dowagiac.

Bugsy was born on April 5, 1956, in Watervliet to the late Louis and Angeline (Fello) Scherer.

On Sept. 1, 1979, Bugsy married the love of his life, Carol Pavey Wittorp, and they began their long and adventurous life together.

Bugsy is survived by his wife, Carol; his daughters: Cara (Mark) DenUyl and Cassandra (Len) Crull; grandchildren: Bryson, Brock and Riley DenUyl; and Sydney and Sage Crull; siblings: James (Sandy) Scherer, Joe (Joyce) Scherer, Judy (Sonny) Hendrix and William (Linda) Scherer; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins, with a special acknowledgement to Johnny (Joyce) Scherer, who was so much help during this time.

He is preceded in death by a brother, Ronald. Bugsy will be missed by all who loved him.

A celebration of life service will take place at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 13, at Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Dowagiac, with Father Russell Homic officiating. Burial will follow at Keeler Township Cemetery.

Visitation with the family will be from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at Clark Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation, 25882 Orchard Lake Road., #102, Farmington Hills, MI 48336 or info@crohnscolitisfoundation.org.

Friends wishing to leave the family a message of condolence may do so at www.clarkch.com.

Death notices

Peggy Biggs, 78, of Niles: died Nov. 9, 2020, at her home. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Walter Broyles Sr., 78, of Benton Harbor: died Nov. 6, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Helen Maxine Bush, 97, of Cassopolis: died Nov. 6, 2020, at Royalton Manor, St. Joseph. Calvin Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101

Rodney P. Chevrette, 88, of Benton Harbor: died Nov 7, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel & Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Anthony Coleman, 40, of Watervliet: died Nov. 1, 2020. Calvin-Leonard Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101.

Eddie Lee Foriest Sr., 77, of Benton Township: died Nov. 2, 2020. Fairplain Chapel, Florin Funeral Service, Benton Harbor, 926-7222.

Jimmie Dean Griffin, 80, of Lawrence: died Oct. 27, 2020. Calvin-Leonard Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101.

Laurie M. Harte, 55, of St. Joseph: died Nov. 7, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Ray Humes, 82, of Bridgman: died Nov. 8, 2020. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239.

Joyce Pawlik, of Lakeside: died Nov. 9, 2020. Pobocik Chapel Wagner Family Funerals, Three Oaks, 756-3181.

Eleanor E. Radke, 103, of Munising, Mich.: died Nov. 8, 2020, at her residence. Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Nicole Ross, 35, of Benton Harbor: died Nov. 6, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Allyn Bruce "Bugsy" Scherer, 64, formerly of Dowagiac, now of Kimball, Mich.: died Nov. 7, 2020 at his residence. Clark Chapel and Cremation Services, Dowagiac, 782-2135.

Getting it straight

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

The Michigan Maritime Museum will present a program about a Great Lakes freighter, the Edmund Fitzgerald, on Friday, the 20th anniversary of the ship's sinking in Lake Superior. Hawk Tolson of the Michigan State University for Maritime and Underwater Studies will give a slide and videotape presentation about the restoration of the Fitzgerald's bell, which was recovered from the ship last summer.

1985 – 35 years ago

Dennis Archer, Michigan's second Black Supreme Court justice, said, "I never dreamed of sitting on the Supreme Court while I was going to school in Cassopolis. This just shows what is possible." Archer, who graduated from Cassopolis High School in 1959, was appointed by Gov. James Blanchard to the Supreme Court on Monday.

1970 – 50 years ago

Mothers of World War II Victory chapter, will conduct their annual poinsettia sale in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph on Friday and Saturday. Proceeds from the Poinsettia Day campaign will go entirely to assist veterans from all wars in Michigan hospitals, according to Mrs. Blanche Clawson, sale chair. The poinsettias are made by hospitalized veterans, and are sold to commemorate the sacrifice of American sons and daughters who died for their country.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 10, the 315th day of 2020. There are 51 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Nov. 10, 1775, the U.S. Marines were organized under authority of the Continental Congress.

On this date:

In 1766, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, had its beginnings as William Franklin, the Royal Governor of New Jersey, signed a charter establishing Queen's College in New Brunswick.

In 1919, the American Legion opened its first national convention in Minneapolis.

In 1928, Hirohito (was enthroned as Emperor of Japan.

In 1938, Kate Smith first sang Irving Berlin's "God Bless America" on her CBS radio program.

In 1944, during World War II, the ammunition ship USS Mount Hood (AE-11) exploded while moored at the Manus Naval Base in the Admiralty Islands in the South Pacific, leaving 45 confirmed dead and 327 missing and presumed dead.

In 1951, customer-dialed long-distance telephone service began as Mayor M. Leslie Denning of Englewood, New Jersey, called Alameda, California, Mayor Frank Osborne without operator assistance.

In 1975, the ore-hauling ship SS Edmund Fitzgerald mysteriously sank during a storm in Lake Superior with the loss of all 29 crew members. The U.N. General Assembly approved a resolution equating Zionism with racism (the world body repealed the resolution in December 1991).

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mostly Cloudy	Showers Likely	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Chance Showers
73°	40°	48° / 38°	52° / 39°	48° / 35°	50° / 44°

Local Outlook

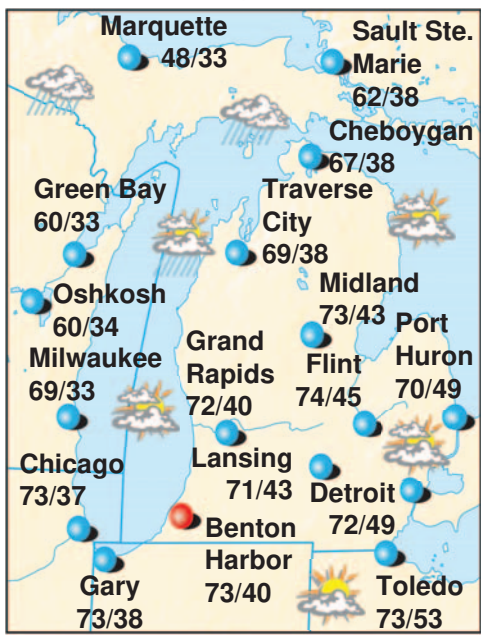
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 73°, humidity of 58%. South wind 17 to 23 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an 85% chance of showers, overnight low of 40°. Southwest wind 9 to 26 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 35°.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	7:30 a.m.
Sunset	5:28 p.m.
Moonrise	1:34 a.m.
Moonset	3:22 p.m.

New	First	Full	Last
11/15	11/21	11/30	12/7

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	76°R
Low	60°
Normal High	52°
Normal Low	36°
Record High	74° in 1999
Record Low	20° in 2003

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	0.01"
Normal for month	1.14"
Year to date	30.25"
Normal Year to date	33.14"

Air Quality

Yesterday 59

Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 .. Unhealthy

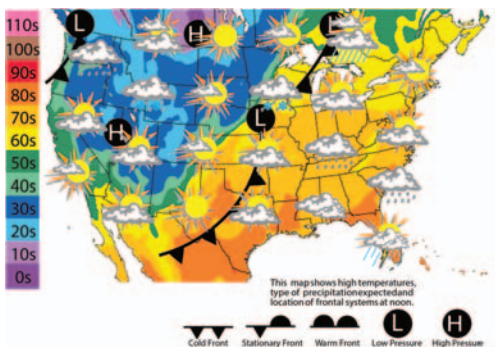
Weather Trivia

Can it snow on the equator? ?

Answer: If the elevation is high enough, it does in fact snow on the equator.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Nov. 10, 2020



For latest weather updates: **www.UpdatedWx.com/HP**

Lake Michigan

Today, S wind 15 to 18 kt, with gusts as high as 27 kt. A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Waves 1 to 2 ft. Water temperature 64 degrees. Tonight, S wind 21 to 30 kt.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy to cloudy with widespread showers, highs from the 40s to the 60s. South southwest wind 7 to 13 mph. Expect mostly sunny skies Wednesday with highs in the 40s. West southwest wind 6 to 14 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with highs in the 70s. South wind 17 to 23 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Wednesday with highs in the 40s and 50s. West wind 1 to 9 mph.

Trump fires Esper as Pentagon chief after election defeat

By ROBERT BURNS and LOLITA C. BALDOR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump fired Defense Secretary Mark Esper on Monday, an unprecedented move by a president struggling to accept election defeat and angry at a Pentagon leader he believes wasn't loyal enough.

The decision was widely expected as Trump had grown increasingly unhappy with Esper over the summer, including sharp differences between them over the use of the military during the civil unrest in June. But the move could unsettle international allies and Pentagon leadership and injects another element of uncertainty to a rocky transition period as Joe Biden prepares to assume the presidency.

Presidents who win reelection often replace Cabinet members, but losing presidents have kept their Pentagon chiefs in place until Inauguration Day to preserve stability in the name of national security.

Trump announced the news in a tweet, saying that "effective immediately" Christopher Miller, the director of the National Counterterrorism Center, will serve as acting secretary, sidestepping the department's No.2-ranking official, Deputy Defense Secretary David Norquist.

"Chris will do a GREAT job!" Trump tweeted. "Mark Esper has been terminated. I would like to thank him for his service."

In a letter to Trump, Esper referred to his efforts to keep the Pentagon apolitical – a resistance that often angered Trump. Esper said he served as defense secretary and Army secretary "in full faith to my sworn oath to support and defend the Constitution, and to safeguard the country and its interests, while keeping the Department out of politics and abiding by the values Americans hold dear." The Associated Press obtained a copy of the letter.

Esper didn't thank Trump, but he also didn't openly criticize the president or his policies. He said he accepts Trump's decision to replace him, adding, "I step aside knowing there is much we achieved at the Defense Department over the last eighteen months to protect the nation and improve the readiness, capabilities, and professionalism of the joint force, while fundamentally transforming and preparing the military for the future."

OBITUARIES

Jimmie Dean Griffin

Jan. 10, 1940 – Oct. 27, 2020

Jimmie Dean Griffin was born Jan. 10, 1940, in Cardwell, Mo., the son of Earnest and Iva (Grogan) Griffin.

Jimmie passed away at the age of 80, on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020, at his home in Lawrence.

Jim, as he was known, graduated from Lawrence High School and then attended Michigan State University for two years in the agricultural program, graduating with honors.

He was a heavy equipment operator and welder, and a member of the Operating Engineers Union. He worked for a number of companies, working on area roads, bridges and other construction projects, going where there was work to be done. Jim event went as far as Alaska, working on the pipeline. He was also a farmer and an avid hunter and outdoorsman.

Jim is survived by his three daughters: Katherine (Patrick Charles Shude) Griffin of Redford Township, Kimberly Griffin of South Haven and Koreen Flick of Vicksburg; a sister, Carolene (Don) Phillips of Plant City, Fla., and a sister-in-law, Ruth Griffin of Lawrence.

Jim was preceded in passing by his parents; and five brothers: Bob, Doan, Edgar, Harry and Ray Griffin.

As per Jim's wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial celebration of life to honor Jim's memory will be held at a later date. The Calvin Funeral Home in Hartford is assisting the family with arrangements. Please feel free to leave memorial condolences for the family at www.calvin-leonardfh.com.

Eleanor Radke

Feb. 2, 1917 – Nov. 8, 2020

Eleanor E. Radke, 103, of Munising, passed away peacefully Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020, at her residence in Munising, Mich.

A committal will take place at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at Northshore Memory Gardens, Coloma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org. Those wishing to leave an online condolence for the family may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Eleanor was born Feb. 2, 1917, in Bismark, N.D., to Gustav and Albertine (Sperling) Friske.

A duplicate of her mother, she was a strong, independent woman. She was very handy in regards to home improvements, as well as a talented seamstress. Eleanor worked as a guard at the local nuclear power plant and often spoke of her time wielding a gun at work and having the best shot on the team.

While living in Texas, Eleanor spent her time with her partner, Bob, dancing seven days a week and playing Bingo. After he passed, she moved to the Upper Peninsula to be closer to her daughter.

Eleanor will be missed by her daughter, Sybil (the late Paul E.) Curtis; her two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Fred "Fritz" Radke; partner, Bob Roberts; three brothers; and her parents.

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maximize staffing resources and prevent outbreaks amongst vulnerable people, it will now prioritize case investigation to notify those who are age 65 and older, especially those with chronic underlying conditions; children who are 18 years old and younger, especially those attending school in-person; and individuals residing in congregate living environments, such as long-term care facilities.

All other individuals who test positive will be contacted as capacity allows.

If you receive a positive COVID-19 test result, isolate for a minimum of 10 days from the start of your symptoms or your positive test date if you didn't have symptoms.

Then, notify your close contacts that they may have been exposed to you 48 hours prior to when symptoms started and encourage them to quarantine and consider getting tested.

If someone is awaiting test results, they must stay home until the results are in.

A close contact is someone who has been within six feet (about two arms' length) of an infected person for at least 15 minutes in 24 hours, including brief encounters (it does not need to be consecutive minutes) with or without a face covering.

Close contacts should quarantine for 14 days from the last exposure, since a person can be infectious up to 48 hours before showing any symptoms.

Isolation and quarantine mean staying home from work, school, social gatherings, extracurricular activities and any other public place other than when seeking medical care.

More information about isolation, quarantine, testing for COVID-19 and more can be found at www.bchdmi.org.

Count update

Over the last month, the seven-day rolling average of new COVID-19 cases has risen from about 19 new cases per day in the second week of October to now an average of 76 new cases per day, the health department reported Monday.

Berrien County recorded 320 new cases over Saturday, Sunday and Monday. That's a huge number when compared to the 223 new cases recorded over last weekend and 158 new cases being recorded the weekend before that.

In addition, 95 new recoveries were recorded over the three days.

Two new COVID-19 deaths were reported on Saturday, bringing the county's death toll to 88.

With deaths and recoveries, the county is at about 572 active COVID-19 cases. That is up from 503 last Monday, and 349 on Friday, but should even out as the week goes on as contact tracers catch up with recoveries.

Spectrum Health Lakeland had 47 COVID-19 positive patients admitted Monday morning. That's up from 39 on Friday and 30 last Monday.

Van Buren County has recorded 197 new COVID-19 cases since last Thursday and Cass County has recorded 157. In addition, Van Buren County recorded two new COVID-19 deaths over the weekend, bringing the county's death toll to 20.

Percent positivity rates for testing in Berrien, Van Buren and Cass counties have been between 12 and 14 percent the last few days.

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LEARNING

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were out that day for various reasons, and the district was unable to find substitute teachers for 14 of them. He said that last week, the highest number of teacher positions they were unable to find substitutes for was eight.

"Our largest concern in trying to keep schools open is having enough staff to provide services," he said. "Personnel shortages is likely the reason we'll have to go remote."

If the district does move to remote learning, he said it could be just a few days or a few weeks, and that school officials would carefully monitor when they have enough staff to return to in-person learning.

One possibility, he said, would be for the high school to move to remote learning so the substitute teachers could be concentrated in the lower grades, so they could continue in-person learning.

Another reason that districts would have to move to remote learning would be if the virus is spreading in the schools. But Freeman said the data so far shows that isn't happening.

He said that as of the beginning of November, there have been 85 positive COVID-19 cases associated with students or staff in Berrien County, but only two of those cases were traced back to the virus being spread at a school.

"That means that less than one-tenth of one percent of the transmission of COVID-19 in the county occurred in schools. ... The bottom line is in-person instruction is not contributing to the current upward trajectory of cases in the community."

Freeman believes the highly regulated strategies schools have put in place is preventing the spread of the virus.

"In short, the health department believes that having schools open for in-person instruction is ... lowering the opportunity for spread in the county," he said.

Of the 33 Lakeshore teachers who were out on Monday, two were in isolation after testing positive and 13 were in quarantine while waiting for their test results to come back. The rest of the teachers were out for a variety of reasons, including caring for their own children who have COVID-19 or are in isolation awaiting test results.

Freeman gave kudos to the Lakeshore students, who are working hard so the virus isn't being transmitted in the schools.

"They want to be in school and they are following these rules," he said. "... The ability of the district to implement the five key mitigation strategies is clearly working to severely limit the transmission of COVID-19 in schools or at school-related events."

Freeman's data didn't include the two new outbreaks in Berrien County reported Monday by the state. An outbreak is strictly defined as two or more COVID-19-positive students who may have shared exposure on school grounds and are from different households.

Bridgman Elementary School has four COVID-19 cases among students and staff, and Blossomland Learning Center in Berrien Springs reported two student cases.

So far no school outbreaks were reported in Cass or Van Buren counties this week.

Ongoing outbreaks include three student cases at Brandywine High School. Edwardsburg, Paw Paw, Lawton and Mattawan high schools also have ongoing outbreaks, according to the state report.

Staff Writers Tony Wittkowski and Alexandra Newman contributed to this story.

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Athlete Spotlight

Photo provided

Audrey Dixon, a sophomore at Niles High School, qualified for the state finals on Nov. 20 in the 100 and 200 freestyle.

Audrey Dixon:

Bridgman co-op swimmer ready for finals

By BEN SPENCER
HP Correspondent

Audrey Dixon is only in her second season swimming for the Bridgman cooperative girls team, but she's already preparing for her second trip to the state finals.

Dixon, a sophomore at Niles High School, swims in the 100 and 200 freestyle for Bridgman, and is also a member of the 200 medley relay, plus the 200 and 400 free relays.

Dixon is the only swimmer from the co-op to qualify for this year's state finals.

COVID-19 restricted teams from having a normal conference meet this season, but Dixon was still able to qualify for the Nov. 20 state finals by swimming a 1:57.45 in the 200 freestyle and a 53.93 in the 100 freestyle in regular-season meets.

"I'm excited going to state," said Dixon. "I feel like I have been doing well this season considering COVID and not being able to swim all summer. I will be training the next two weeks. I have a few girls on the team who have decided that they will be practicing with me, just so that I can have some competition in practice.

"I am really excited about these next two weeks. I'm going to train hard the next week and then start my taper. I also had a shoulder injury I had a shoulder injury, so I'm very excited about how I'm doing this season."

Outside of swimming, Dixon participates in FFA, as well as Niles New Tech. In the offseason, Dixon swims for a club team at the St. Joseph-Benton Harbor YMCA. She plans to run track for Niles in the spring as well.

How long have you been swimming?

I have two older siblings who swam, and I've basically been swimming since I was really little. I started competitive swimming when I was about seven.

Do you have a favorite memory from this season?

It was probably the senior night. We have a few seniors graduating, and one of our state team members from last year is graduating and it was just kind of bittersweet, her going over the memories from this year. I overall really enjoy the co-op, though, because you get to broaden your spectrum of friends from different schools.

What is something that you like best about swimming?

It's an individual and team sport. I really enjoy that, because you swim your individual races and you're individual for most everything, but then you can come together for relays. Practices are just so team oriented. Even the slowest swimmer can motivate everybody. It's really a team atmosphere to try and get everybody going and ready for practice and working hard.

What are some goals that you have for yourself over the next few seasons?

I'd like to continue on the track I am and hopefully make it to state the next two years again. I just want to continue to improve on my individual races, and get a relay to state hopefully next year, too. I'd like to go to college and swim. If I could swim in college, that is something I would love to do.

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Bridgman defenders (from left) Zachery Teed, Jayce Warren, Nolan Staniszewski, Clark Smith and Kaeden Lies swarm around Maple Valley ballcarrier Hugheston Heckathorn during Saturday's game.

Bridgman football ends season on a high note

Bees top Maple Valley in mini-tournament season finale

By BEN SPENCER
HP Correspondent

BRIDGMAN — Bridgman's eight-man football team may not have been able to participate in the Michigan High School Athletic Association playoffs, but the Bees still had plenty to play for on Saturday night.

Bridgman 41 Maple Valley 30

The Bees hosted Vermontville Maple Valley on Saturday night in the championship round of a mini tournament that featured four eight-player schools with enrollments too large for the MHSAA playoffs, topping the Lions 41-30 to cap off the season.

"Maple Valley is a really good football team," Bees coach Aaron Locke said. "They brought it. They pushed us to our limits. They gave it to us at first, but we came out fighting and matched everything they did. We didn't have anything left at the end of the night. We were thrilled to pull that out. The kids played great."

Bridgman (7-1) defeated Concord last weekend, while Maple Valley (4-4) knocked off Vandercook Lake to reach the final round.

On Saturday night, both teams opened the game strong on offense. Maple Valley recovered an onside kick to open the game and scored on its first drive, capped off by a nine-yard run by Hugheston Heckathorn.

The Bees responded with a three-play scoring drive, with Reid Haskins running for a 39-yard score. Haskins was efficient with his legs all evening, tallying 113 yards and four TDs on 28 carries. He was 8-of-14 passing the ball for 80 yards. Seven of those passes were hauled in by Jayce Warren, who had 63 receiving yards.

The Lions needed little time responding to the Bees' first score, as quarterback Blaze Sensiba took a 57-yard run down the sideline for a score on Maple Valley's second play of the ensuing drive to go up 16-8.

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Bridgman defender Nate Necas (32) attempts to pry the football loose from Tyler Rose of Maple Valley during Saturday's game.

In the second quarter, the teams continued to trade scores. Bridgman opened the scoring in the quarter with Haskins' second TD run (15 yards) with 9:37 to play, then got another late touchdown in the half with just nine seconds remaining, after a long drive was capped off by a one-yard run by Haskins.

The Lions had scored before the Bees' final drive with just 1:12 remaining in the half, on a 13-yard pass from Sensiba to Reece Proctor-Burhans, to take what looked to be a halftime lead. But the Bees were able to get down the field quickly to tie the score at 24-24 just before the break.

Maple Valley stuck to the run for the most part and relied heavily on Heckathorn. He carried the ball 29 times for 150 yards and a score. The Lions outrushed Bridgman, 288-192.

Bridgman kept the Lions off the scoreboard in the third, while also adding Haskins' fourth and final TD run of 13 yards, plus a 27-yard field goal boot

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After breakthrough vs. top-ranked Clemson, BC looms for Irish

By JOHN FINERAN
Associated Press

SOUTH BEND — For all that Notre Dame has accomplished in 11 seasons under Brian Kelly, the Fighting Irish at their best always seem to be just a little less than the best of the best in college football.

Wherever the line was drawn between the elite and the merely excellent programs, Notre Dame was on the wrong side.

How else to explain 0-5 against top-five teams and big-stage beatdowns by Alabama in the BCS championship and Clemson in the College Football Playoff?

The breakthrough victory finally came Saturday night for Kelly's Irish, a 47-40 thriller that knocked Clemson from No. 1 in the AP Top 25 and set off a wild celebration at Notre Dame Stadium.

After it was over, Kelly said the Irish were not out to make a statement.

"Look, all the narratives that are out there and whatever is said, you know, talked about, that doesn't help you win this game," said Kelly, who is now 99-37 at Notre Dame. "What we're excited about and what we're celebrating is that we played with an incredible focus and resolve. Those are things that we work on to try to be successful and win football games.

Kelly and his players can downplay it all they want, but Notre Dame had not beaten a No. 1 ranked team since 1993 against Florida State, and 27 years was a long time to wait for college football's most storied program.

Beating Clemson pushed the Fighting Irish (7-0, 6-0 ACC) to No. 2 in the AP poll, their best ranking since 2012, when they reached the BCS title game unbeaten only to get trounced by Alabama.

"We've got a target on our backs now," Kelly said. "The real challenge now is to keep this football team accelerating."

A glance at the schedule continued to back memories of 1993 for Notre Dame fans.

Next up for the Irish is Boston College (5-3, 4-3). The name David Gordon most certainly rings a bell with Notre Dame fans of a certain age.

It was Gordon's 41-yard field goal as time expired in South Bend on Nov. 20, 1993, that gave Boston College a 41-39 victory over the top-ranked Fighting Irish a week after they knocked off No. 1 Florida State.

The upset cost the Fighting Irish a national championship and a similar slip-up could give back so much of what they have gained by beating Clemson.

New coach Jeff Hafley has the Eagles overachieving behind a familiar face to the Fighting Irish. BC quarterback Phil Jurkovec is a transfer from Notre Dame.

Jurkovec was stuck behind Ian Book, who had maybe the game of his career against Clemson.

The fifth-year senior threw for 310 yards and a game-tying touchdown with 22 seconds left in regulation and ran for 67 yards.

"Coach Kelly came up to me and said this is your game to win," Book said. "It's a night I'm never going to forget. Obviously, we

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Bridgman quarterback Reid Haskins (7) heads for the open field after breaking loose from the Maple Valley defense during Saturday's game.

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by Tanner Peters that put the Bees up 35-24. A two-possession lead proved to be enough for Bridgman.

The teams once more traded scores in the fourth, with Maple Valley's Tyler Rose finding the end zone on an eight-yard run before Bridgman's Nate Necas ended the night's scoring, also with an eight-yarder to the pylon. Necas finished the night with 59 yards on nine carries.

The Bees' defense came up big when needed, Christian Dinges recovered a fumble for Bridgman early in the game, and the Bees also recovered a fumbled snap on a Lions punt attempt in the second quarter that set up Haskins' second touchdown, which at the time tied the score at 16-all. On the ensuing kickoff, Bridgman's Kaeden Lies recovered an onside kick.

In just their second season playing eight-man football, the Bees have put together a combined 15-2 record, losing only to Martin once each season. With just one senior on the roster, Locke expects the Bees to again return strong next fall.

"That's the one team we want to beat every year, but we're very happy with what we did this year," said Locke. "The kids played just amazingly well, and they're young, but they are pretty sharp. It's a football-savvy bunch."

BRIDGMAN 41, VERMONTVILLE MAPLE VALLEY 30

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MV	**16**	**8**	**0**	**6 —**	**30**

First quarter
MV – Hugheston Heckathorn 9 run (Heckathorn run), 7:53.
B – Reid Haskins 39 run (Haskins run), 6:15.
MV – Blaze Sensiba 57 run (Heckathorn run), 5:21.
Second quarter
B – Haskins 15 run (Haskins run), 9:37.
MV – Reece Proctor-Burhans 13 pass from Sensiba (Dillon Jorgensen from Heckathorn), 1:22.
B – Haskins 1 run (Nate Necas from Haskins), :09.
Third quarter
B – Haskins 13 run (Haskins run), 9:25.
B – Tanner Peters 27 field goal, 1:31.
Fourth quarter
MV – Tyler Rose 8 run (run failed), 7:40.
B – Necas 8 run (kick failed), 4:11.
Records – Bridgman 7-1, Maple Valley 4-4.

New Buffalo volleyball stays undefeated

Bison roll past River Valley for district title

By DAVID JOHNSON
For The Herald-Palladium

NEW BUFFALO — The New Buffalo High School volleyball team remained unbeaten while picking up another championship on Saturday.

The 20-0 Bison topped River Valley 25-17, 25-13, 25-20 to defend their Division 4 district title. A little over a week earlier, New Buffalo claimed the BCS White Division crown by sweeping past Countryside Academy and Michigan Lutheran.

The Bison will face Battle Creek St. Philip at 4:30 p.m. today in the regional semifinals.

"It feels so good …and it feels good to play this year," senior Emma Lantz said. "We were scared that our season was going to get canceled, so it just feels really good to be out here."

New Buffalo coach Kevin Labaj said the Bison got some early jitters out of their systems in the opener and got on a roll until they may have started "looking toward the future a little too much" in the third set.

A show of spiking power that featured attack kills from Sophia DeOliveira and Ava Mullen and ace serves by Amanda Jones and Ashley Hauseman helped open up a 16-9 lead in the Bison's first set against River Valley.

The Mustangs battled back, with a point-scoring tip by Natalyn Heckathorn pulling River Valley within five (22-17) before Hauseman's block and an ace serve from Lantz slammed the door shut.

The Bison were in control from beginning to end in the second contest. DeOliveira slammed down four kills, Lantz served up three aces and Mullen added a pair of unreturned serves as New Buffalo rolled to a 17-4 lead. DeOliveira added two more attack kills to finish the 25-13 win.

A flurry of kills by Mullen, Allie Smith, DeOliveira and Hauseman powered the Bison out to an 11-6 advantage in the third set, but RV rallied.

Ace serves by Ashley Sterling and Macey Springer along with a Lynch block and Springer's kill helped pull the Mustangs even at 13-all.

A kill and a tip by DeOliveira and Mullen's spike to the gym floor had the Bison back on top 17-14, but River Valley tied things up again (at 17-17) with Alexis McCarty contributing a key kill.

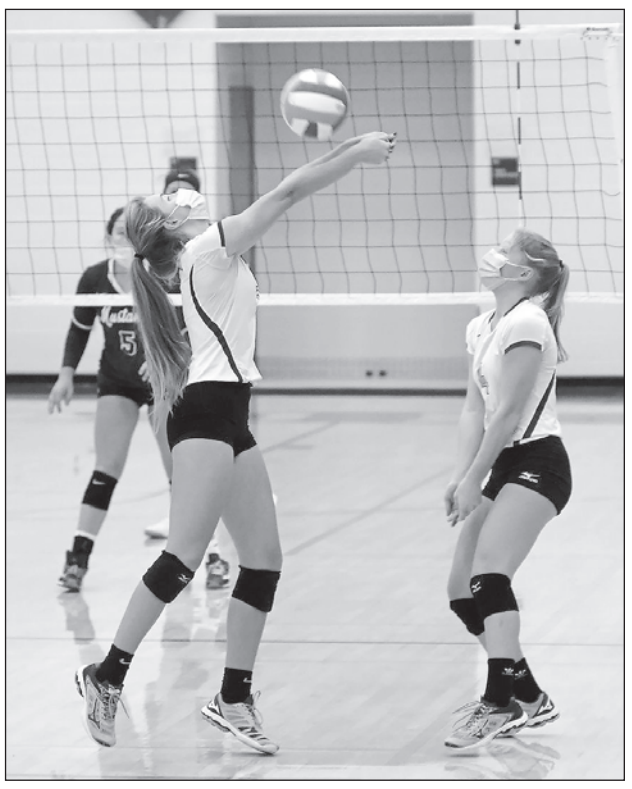
DeOliveira came through with two kills, a point-scoring tip and an ace serve at crunch time while Mullen added an attack kill and a match-ending ace.

"It was very exciting, especially having that feeling of the last serve and being able to get it in and win," Mullen said.

Corkran, the Bison's sophomore setter, noted that the team's three seniors (DeOliveira, Smith and Lantz) played well in their final home match (New Buffalo hosted the district tournament).

Smith said she thought the Bison did better as the match progressed.

Statistical leaders for New Buffalo included: Mullen (4 aces, 12 kills); DeOliveira (3 aces, 17 kills); Lantz (6 aces, 3 kills); Corkran (4 aces, 3 kills, 25 assists).



New Buffalo's Kelsey Corkran (left) passes the ball in front of teammate Emma Lantz during Saturday's district championship match.

Laker boys take 17th at state cross country finals

By HP STAFF

Lake Michigan Catholic's boys cross country team had four freshmen in its top five runners at it finished 17th out of 27 teams in Saturday's Division 4 state finals at Michigan International Speedway.

Freshman Bradley Mills finished 85th with a time of 18:41.73 to lead the Lakers. Senior Michael Golden was 98th in 18:51.76, followed by three more freshmen – Matthew Lage (102nd, 18:52.73), Lucas Wielens (155th, 19:31.67) and Owen McLoughlin (183rd, 20:03.89).

Joel Chandler of Grace Christian led local individual qualifiers in 56th at 18:12.06. Eau Claire's Adam Blankenship was 140th in 19:18.82.

Lake Michigan Catholic also had a freshman fare well in the girls race, as Allison Glendening came in 47th at 21:31.21.

Coloma qualified as a team for both the boys and girls races in Division 3. The Comet girls took 21st and the boys finished 25th.

Ava Genovese led the Coloma girls by placing 50th in 20:39.99. Also running for the Comets were Abby Vandermolen (134th, 22:00.36), Camryn Brown (140th) 22:04.23, Chloe Williams (148th, 22:10.95) and Mckinleigh Kramer (219th, 24:34.21).

Boden Genovese was the top Comet boy finisher in 63rd at 17:17.28. Other Coloma runners were Jake Ickes (151st, 18:20.27), Blane Sutherland (163rd, 18:28.67), Ethan Vandermolen (172nd, 18:37.41) and Aiden Cripe (230th, 19:49.13).

Local individual qualifiers in the boys race included Buchanan's Walker Barz (52nd, 17:11.58) and Ryan Young (180th, 18:44.93); Bridgman's Luke Blesy (89th, 17:36.48) and John Sanderson (126th, 18:05.18); and Watervliet's Ezra Troyer (120th, 17:58.62).

Individual girls competing in Division 3 included Bridgman's Karsyn Stewart (110th, 21:37.48) and Buchanan's Eleanor Young (135th, 22:00.82).

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have to go play a really good team next week. You enjoy that win tonight … but starting tomorrow we have a new opponent."

While Book and Kyren Williams (140 yards and three touchdowns) operated efficiently behind one of the best offensive lines in the country, Notre Dame's defense made the difference-making plays that the elite teams always seem to make against the Irish in the biggest games.

Jeremiah Owusu-Koramoah had his own personal 10-point run in the second quarter when he returned a fumble 23 yards for a touchdown and forced another fumble on the next possession to set up a field goal.

In the second overtime, Notre Dame sacked Clemson's DJ Uiagalelei on consecutive plays to practically seal the victory.

Kelly, who grew up a Fighting Irish fan outside Boston, is well aware of the rivalry with the Eagles.

He is 6-0 against Boston College as Notre Dame's coach, including a 40-7 victory last November in South Bend. A victory Saturday would be his 100th at Notre Dame, tying him with Lou Holtz.

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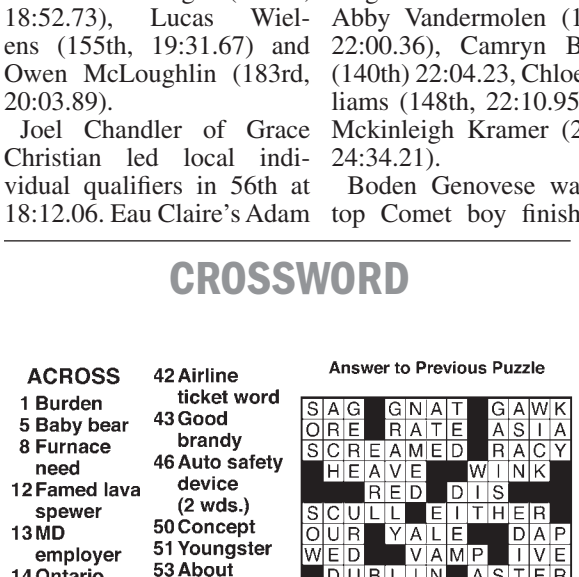

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Answer: Elvis Presley's 1957 hit song had some people — ALL SHOOK UP

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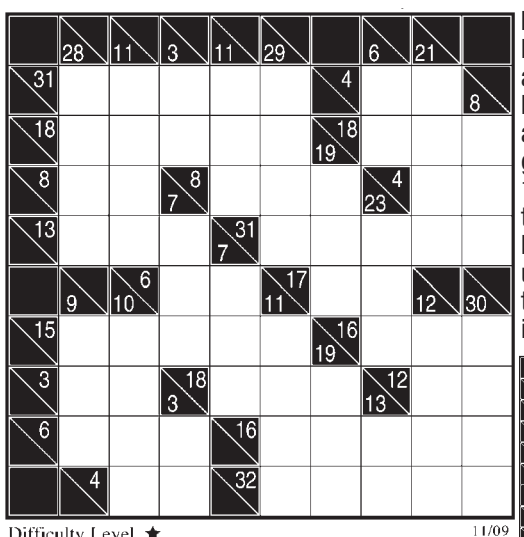

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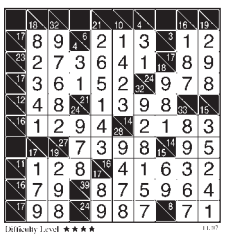

BRIDGE

Like most bridge players, over the last few months, I have spent a fair amount of time playing at Bridge Base Online. I like to look at other tables, and it is clear that some players are logging in under two usernames. One plays and the other kibitzes, so the player can see all four hands.

One player who has caught my eye has a Bulgarian name but says that he lives in England. He is an expert who will play for pay with less experienced players.

I hope no one contacts him. Look at today's deal. What do you think of the auction, and how would you play in six hearts after West leads the diamond four?

How could South jump to six hearts? Only if he knew his partner's hand.

Then we get to the play. The contract appears to be laydown. Declarer can win with dummy's diamond king, cash the heart ace-queen, cross to the club ace, return to the diamond ace, discard the third diamond on the club king and concede one spade trick.

But how did our villain play it? He won with the diamond ace, took dummy's top hearts, played a club to his ace, cashed the heart king, then led a diamond to dummy's jack!

When the finesse won, declarer claimed an overtrick for a cold top. However, note that if the diamond finesse had lost, the defenders could have cashed the spade ace to defeat the slam. When was making a slam ever a bad score? Once every pandemic! (In this session, seven pairs bid six hearts, and nine missed it.)

Finally, note that South was not playing for matchpoints or money. What was his motivation?

North 11-09-20
♠ K Q 4 3
♥ A Q
♦ A K J 10 9
♣ K 5

West
♠ A 9 8
♥ J 6
♦ Q 5 4
♣ J 10 7 6 2

East
♠ J 10 7 6
♥ 9 5
♦ 8 6
♣ Q 9 8 4 3

South
♠ 5 2
♥ K 10 8 7 4 3 2
♦ 7 3 2
♣ A

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
			Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
6♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 4

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

		9	3				2	5
	2			5	1			
5	4			7	8	9	3	1
			1	2		7	8	
2		7				1		6
	8	1		6	9			
6	1	5	8	9			7	4
			5	3			1	
7	3				4	2		

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

5	4	6	2	1	7	3	8	9
3	8	1	4	5	9	6	2	7
7	2	9	6	8	3	4	1	5
2	1	7	5	6	4	8	9	3
8	9	4	1	3	2	5	7	6
6	5	3	9	7	8	2	4	1
1	6	2	8	9	5	7	3	4
4	3	5	7	2	1	9	6	8
9	7	8	3	4	6	1	5	2

PRIME TIME TV

TUESDAY EVENING NOV. 10

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelorette (N) CC (DVS)				Country	
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "The Arizona" CC (DVS)		FBI Maggie faces a life-altering decision.		The FBI Declassified (N) CC	
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	The Voice "The Battles Part 2" (N)		This Is Us "Changes" (N)		:01 Transplant "Birth and Rebirth" (N)	
FOX 17 22 28 32	Modern Family	Cosmos: Possible Worlds		NEXT A search for NEXT's whereabouts.		Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS 34	Steves' Europe	Finding Your Roots With Henry		Rise of the Nazis ((P)) (N) CC		Frontline "China Undercover" CC	
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Swamp Thing "Drive All Night" (N) CC		Tell Me a Story "Number One Fan"		News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Dateline "Deadly Circumstances" CC		Chicago P.D. CC (DVS)		Chicago P.D. CC (DVS)	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Swamp Thing "Drive All Night" (N) CC		Tell Me a Story "Number One Fan"		King of Queens	King of Queens
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland "Riders on the Storm"		Highway to Heaven "Aloha" CC		Nightly News	
WGN 9	News	black-ish	black-ish	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	:01 Storage Wars	:32 Storage Wars
AMC	Day-To-morrow	★★★ Star Trek ('09) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto. Chronicles the early days of the starship Enterprise and her crew. CC					
Animal	Alaskan	Alaskan Bush People: Wild Life (N)				Yukon Men CC	
BET	Madea's Big Happy Family			★★ Nutty Professor II: The Klumps			
Big Ten	B1G	Through the Banks-Red Cedar			B1G Story	B1G Football in 60	
Bravo	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Don't Be Tardy ...	Don't Be Tardy ...	Watch What
Cartoon	Teen	Gumball	Gumball	Burgers	Burgers	American	American
Cinemax	5:40 Backdraft	★★ Yesterday ('19) Himesh Patel, Lily James, Kate McKinnon. (P). CC				★★ They Came Together ('14)	
CMT	Last Man	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
CNBC	S. Smith	Shark Tank CC		Shark Tank		Shark Tank CC	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	Office	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0
Discovery	:00 Moonshiners	Moonshiners "Green Dragon" CC		Moonshiners "Big City Bootleg" CC		Moonshiners CC	
Disney	Raven	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven	Raven	Raven
DIY	Off Grid	Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid	
E!	6:45 ★ Coyote Ugly ('00)			★★ Burlesque ('10) Cher. CC			
ESPN	Top 25	College Football Miami (Ohio) at Buffalo. (N) (L)					
ESPN2	College Football Kent State at Bowling Green. (N) (L)						Relent
ESPNC	:42 Golf		:24 Golf	:13 Golf		9:58 Golf	:42 Golf
Food	Chopped	Chopped CC		Chopped (N) CC		Supermarket	
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	Tennis	College Football Western Kentucky at Florida Atlantic.					
Freefrm	6:15 ★★★ Shrek ('01) CC		:20 ★★★ The Incredibles ('04, Children's) Voices of Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter. CC				
FX	Daddy's Home	★★ The Hangover Part III ('13, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms. CC				★★ The Hangover Part III ('13)	
Golf	:00 Live From the Masters (N)			Live From the Masters			
Hallmark	Welcome Chris	Christmas Getaway ('17, Romance) Bridget Regan, Travis Van Winkle. CC				On the Twelfth Day of Christmas	
HBO	:15 ★★ Tower Heist ('11) Ben Stiller, Eddie Murphy. CC			Cost, Winning	Cost, Winning	Rock & Roll Hall of Fame 2020	
History	Oak Is	Drilling Down		The Curse of Oak Island "Remote Control"			
HGTV	Bones	Fixer to Fabulous (N)		Fixer to Fabulous		Hunters	Hunt Intl
Learning	Fabulous	My Big Fat Fabulous		Fat Fabulous		Welcome	
Lifetime	You Light Up	A Sweet Christmas Romance ('19) Adelaide Kane, Greyston Holt. CC				:03 The Flight Before Christmas	
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	How Lose	Teen Mom 2 CC		16 and Pregnant (N)		Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	Inside	White Sox Rewind From Aug. 4, 2020. (N)					
NFL	NFL Total	NFL Football Teams TBA. (Taped) CC					
Nick	Loud	Sponge.	Sponge.	★★★ Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa			
NGEO	Life Be	Life Below Zero (N)		Primal Survivor (N)		Primal Survivor (N)	
Oxygen	:00 Snapped	Snapped Corrections officer killed in home.		Snapped "Hannah Stone" CC		Snapped "Jasmine Harlee" CC	
Parmt	Rambo: First Blood		:45 ★★ Rambo: First Blood Part II ('85) CC				
Showtime	The Good Lord Bird	Ray Donovan "Swing Vote" CC		Inside the NFL (N) CC		The Best of All the Smoke	
Starz	:13 ★★ The Vow ('12) Rachel McAdams. CC			The Spanish Princess "Plague" CC		★★ Bloodshot ('20) Vin Diesel. CC	
STZENC	6:52 ★★ Million Dollar Arm ('14) Jon Hamm. CC			★★ Brightburn ('19) Elizabeth Banks, David Denman. CC		The Newton Boys	
SyFy	★★ Journey to the Center of the Earth		★★★ Noah ('14) Russell Crowe. (P). Noah builds an ark to save his family from the coming flood.				
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The Misery Index
TCM	Caesar-Cleo	Women Make Film CC		:15 ★★★ Silent Waters ('03, Drama) Kirron Kher, Aamir Malik, Arshad Mahmud.			
TMC	The Deer Hunter	★★ Dark Places ('15, Mystery) Charlize Theron, Nicholas Hoult. CC				★★ Chloe ('09) Julianne Moore.	
TNT	Rampage	★ Geostorm ('17) Gerard Butler.				London Has Fallen	
Travel	Dead	The Dead Files "Deadly Plans" (N) CC				The Dead Files (N)	
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		:02 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
VH1	Martin	★★★ House Party ('90) Robin Harris. CC					Chappelle
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC	

Condo community feels effects of stress during the pandemic

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I own a condo in a building with 22 units. Because of COVID, one of the HOA board members has posted signs stating "rules" throughout the building. The rules are typical for these trying times, but the number of signs is obsessive. Many of the residents dislike the signs, but my husband was the one who wrote a nasty letter to the HOA about how many are posted.

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

The board member who was responsible for posting the signs was a friend of mine. Her feelings were hurt, and she has made some snide remarks about the letter. A group of women meet weekly for happy hour, and she and I are both part of that group. I feel caught in the middle. My husband has had a hard time getting over being mad about the signs, and I know the HOA member is angry at him. I just want to go to happy hour and drink and gossip. Why can't we all just get along? – In The Middle

DEAR IN THE MIDDLE: We are living in trying times, and many people – your husband included – aren't their better selves right now. The HOA board was fulfilling its obligation to the community by posting health and safety signs. They are meant to educate not only homeowners but also visitors to the building, but too often they tend to become like "wallpaper" and are ignored. You are not caught in the middle. Your husband owes that woman an apology for getting snarky. But it probably won't happen unless you insist upon it. (If it doesn't, you can always do it "for" him the next time you all meet for happy hour.)

DEAR ABBY: I met a wonderful man who was 14 years older who treated me like I have never been treated before. He opened doors for me, took me on actual dates, paid for things, met all my friends and family, and took me on my first vacation at 39 years old. He was very cuddly and such a gentleman. He even introduced himself as my "boyfriend" to some of my friends.

Seven months ago, we had our first argument and he asked me how I felt about him. I said I loved him and he returned with, "I like you a lot." He said he didn't feel as strongly as I did and doesn't want a relationship.

When we broke up shortly after, he said he wanted to be friends. But he still called and invited me over for sex regularly for the next six weeks. I was very hurt, but I finally cut ties because emotionally I couldn't handle it. He still wants to be friends but I cannot. He still will do anything for me and wants the benefits of being together without the labels.

It has been more than two months and I'm heartbroken. If I call him, he answers and talks like we are the best of friends, and it kills me. How do I get over him? Is it worth trying to see if we will work out? – Broken In Utah

DEAR BROKEN: This "gentleman" made clear that his feelings for you are not as strong as those you have for him. You are involved with someone who is honest about wanting nothing more than the status quo. If you're willing to settle for being only FWB – which, I suspect, you have too much intelligence and self-esteem to do – go along with what he's offering (which is very little). But if you do, know full well that it won't "work out."

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Girlfriend keeps testing their relationship

DEAR CAROLYN: I have been dating a woman for a few months. For the most part things are going well, but there's one thing increasingly bothering me: She has, on a few different occasions, "tested" me.

Example: She texted me that she was sick and asked if I would take time off work to take her to the doctor. I said I would and she texted back, "OK, you passed! I'm not sick, I was just testing you."

Carolyn Hax

I have told her I am extremely uncomfortable with being "tested" like this, but the tests continue. Is this something to break up over? – Tested

DEAR TESTED: Yes, immediately.

REGARDING TESTED: When your soon-to-be-ex-girlfriend asks, "But why are you breaking up with me?" the correct response is: "You failed my test." – Anonymous

DEAR ANONYMOUS: As entertaining as that may seem or satisfying as it may feel, it actually perpetuates the problem.

Better to be honest: "Because jerking people around to 'test' them is acting in bad faith. I want to date someone who is ready to trust people."

DEAR CAROLYN: Recently you answered a question from a size 14 bride whose mother told her to lose weight.

Well, I am also a size 14 girl, but I have the opposite problem. I really want to and feel like I need to lose weight. My BMI is in the obese range and I am, like the prior poster, a bulimia sufferer. Except mine's active currently.

So I am trying to eat healthy and cut down on alcohol, which is a binge/purge trigger for me. But instead of encouragement, I get, "You don't need to lose weight, you look great," "Oh, c'mon, let's go out for a drink," "Have some pizza," etc. All the time. Every time I try to decline something.

So I tell people, "I know you think I look great cause you love me, but I really need to lose weight for health reasons." But I still get the same responses.

I don't really want to share my eating disorder history with everyone, and those who know still say the same things, so I don't think it would help. I know you can't control others' behavior and I don't want to avoid literally everyone I know. What can I do here? – Trying

DEAR TRYING: You don't mention having professional help as you deal with "active" bulimia, and that concerns me.

If you're not working with someone qualified to help you, then please do so. Here is information for the National Eating Disorders Association to contact its help line: nationaleatingdisorders.org.

As for what you can say: Your line that "I really need to lose weight for health reasons," beyond being ineffective with your friends, is arguably not accurate. What your body needs from you right now is about cause (healthy relationship with food), not effect (weight).

So in refusing food you don't want or advice you don't need, please just say, "No, thank you." Repeat without explanation as many times as necessary.

If they keep pressing, then: "The kindest thing you can do is take no for an answer."

I'm sorry even your well-meaning friends fail to realize that their value judgments – even the positive ones! – around food and body image are just not helpful. And please do call the help line today.

Email Carolyn Hax at tellme@washpost.com, follow her on Facebook at www.facebook.com/carolyn.hax or chat with her online at noon each Friday at www.washingtonpost.com.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Foil-wrapped candy
5 Length x width
9 Sports org.
12 Radiate
13 Bean for sprouting
14 Before now
15 Is, in Avila
16 "The Little Mermaid" author
18 Raining hard
20 Expels
21 Mrs. Peron
22 Yale alum
23 Habitat
26 2000 Olympics site
29 Hasty escape
30 Pole on a ship
32 Unforeseen difficulty
34 Drop-kick
36 Twisted the truth
38 Dot in the Seine
39 Rang up
41 Matterhorn echo
43 Actress — Arthur
44 Pullet
45 Pandemonium
48 In voice range
52 Being at rest
54 Ph.D. exam
55 Ginger —
56 Ocean bird
57 Ibsen woman
58 Family docs
59 Next-door
60 Ballet lake

DOWN
1 Hang on to
2 — — hungry I could ...
3 In — (as found)
4 Gawked
5 Fridge maker
6 Pealed
7 Wrap up
8 Traditional (hyph.)
9 Monster-hunter's loch
10 Fume
11 Eye part
17 Bankrupts
19 Currier's partner
22 Bronte's Jane —
23 Peak for Heidi
24 Modem-speed unit
25 Former science magazine
26 Uttered
27 Camelot lady
28 New England campus
31 Entreaty
33 Hairdo goo
35 Not allowed
37 Did Easter eggs
40 Wane
42 Hamburger extra
44 More immense
45 Rocky ledge
46 Backing
47 Orangutans
48 Soprano — Moffo
49 Place for a wreath
50 Pasternak woman
51 Zest for life
53 Pique

Answer to Previous Puzzle

L	O	A	D		C	U	B		F	U	E	L
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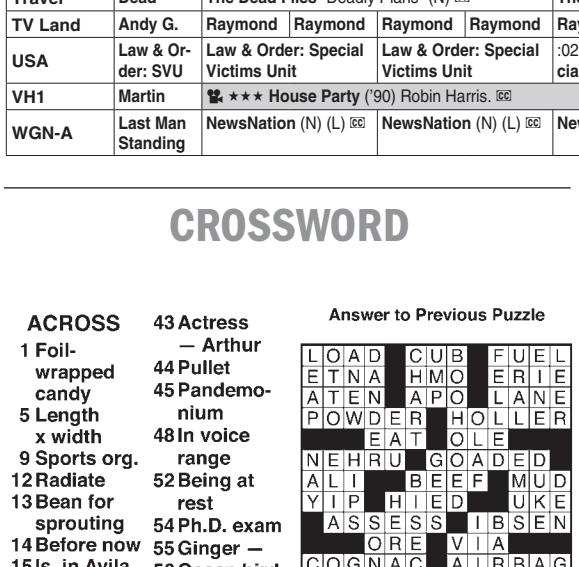

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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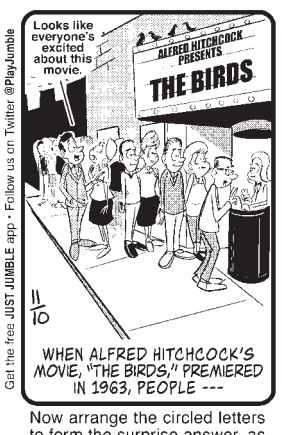
FINEK

TILLET

FDESEU


Looks like everyone's excited about this movie.
ALFRED HITCHCOCK PRESENTS
THE BIRDS
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WHEN ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S MOVIE, "THE BIRDS," PREMIERED IN 1963, PEOPLE ---

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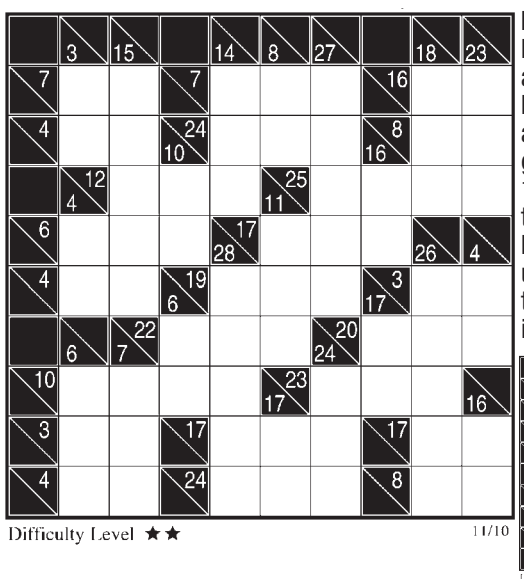
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: DRESS SWUNG MILDEW CATCHY
Answer: When they visited Arizona's famous canyon, the family had a — GRAND TIME

KAKURO



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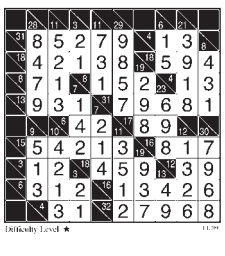

BRIDGE

In "Animal Crossing: Wild World," Takayuki Ikkaku, Arisa Hosaka and Toshihiro Kawabata wrote, "A person's abilities are tested best when defending rather than attacking."

A bridge player's abilities are tested best when defending rather than declaring. That is certainly true; most players are much better declarers than defenders. However, sometimes, to be a good defender you need a key signal from partner, telling you which way to turn.

In today's deal, how should the defense go against four spades after West leads the club king?

Let's look at declarer's predicament first. He has only nine winners: five spades, three diamonds and one club. He must establish dummy's club jack and hope that the defenders do not shift to hearts.

So, South should take trick one with his club ace and immediately return the club six. If declarer needs a misdefense, the quicker he puts a defender on the spot, the better.

After West takes the second trick with the club queen, how does he know what to do?

He must rely on his partner to tell him. East plays the club two at trick one to discourage. But on the second round, he may play the three or the five. Because he would like a shift to the higher-ranking of the other two side suits, he drops his higher-remaining club, the five.

In addition, if declarer draws trumps immediately, East should follow suit in the order five-four-three-two, always his highest asking for a heart shift.

Then East just has to hope that West is watching and interpreting correctly!

North 11-10-20
♠ Q J 7 6
♥ Q 6 5
♦ Q 6 5
♣ J 9 4

West
♠ —
♥ 10 7 3 2
♦ 10 7 3 2
♣ K Q 10 8 7

East
♠ 5 4 3 2
♥ A K J
♦ 9 8 4
♣ 5 3 2

South
♠ A K 10 9 8
♥ 9 8 4
♦ A K J
♣ A 6

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: North-South

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ K

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

	4				6	3		1
1			4					8
3		2	9	1	8		4	
9	1		3	5				2
2		8		6		4		5
4				8	9		3	7
	9		6	4	2	5		3
5					1			4
6		4	5				1	

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

1	7	9	3	4	6	8	2	5
8	2	3	9	5	1	4	6	7
5	4	6	2	7	8	9	3	1
9	6	4	1	2	5	7	8	3
2	5	7	4	8	3	1	9	6
3	8	1	7	6	9	5	4	2
6	1	5	8	9	2	3	7	4
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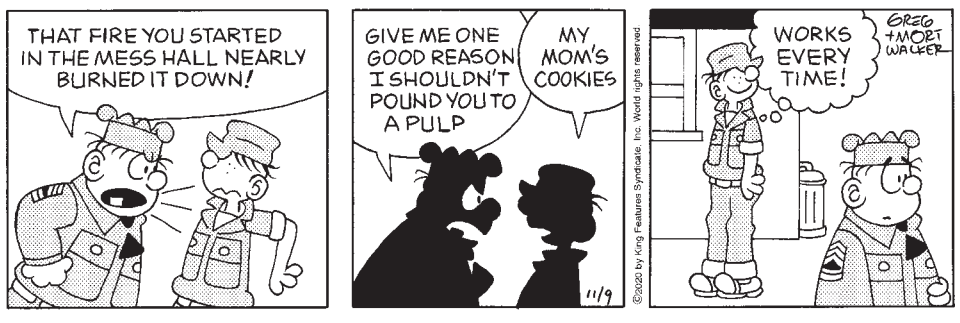
BEETLE BAILEY


THAT FIRE YOU STARTED IN THE MESS HALL NEARLY BURNED IT DOWN!
GIVE ME ONE GOOD REASON I SHOULDN'T POUND YOU TO A PULP
MY MOM'S COOKIES
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AND MORE BEERS THAN I CARE TO COUNT.
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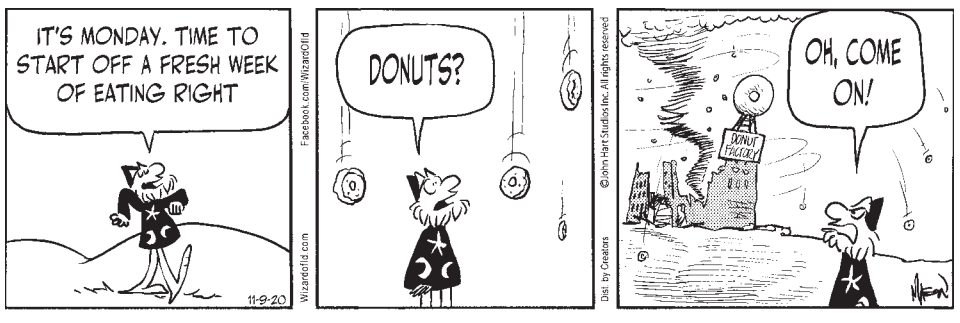

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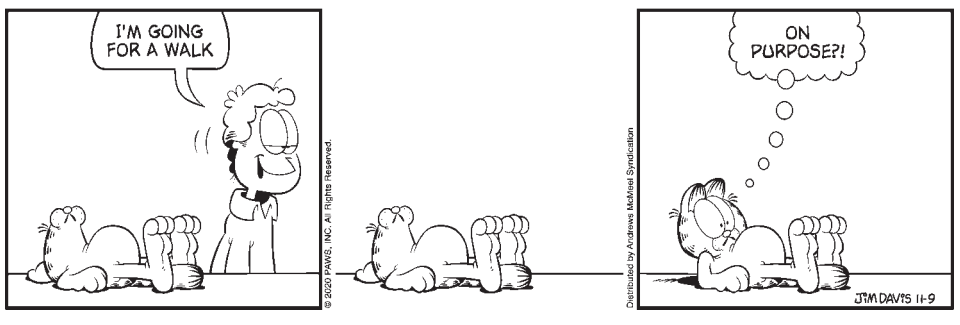
I'M GOING FOR A WALK
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ON PURPOSE?!
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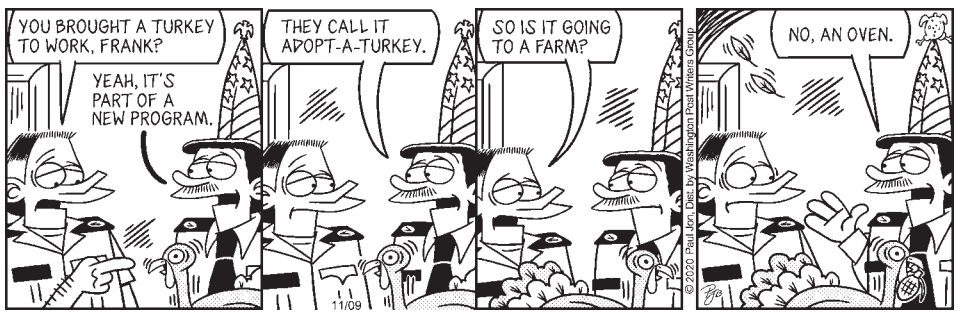
YOU BROUGHT A TURKEY TO WORK, FRANK?
YEAH, IT'S PART OF A NEW PROGRAM.
THEY CALL IT ADOPT-A-TURKEY.
SO IS IT GOING TO A FARM?
NO, AN OVEN.
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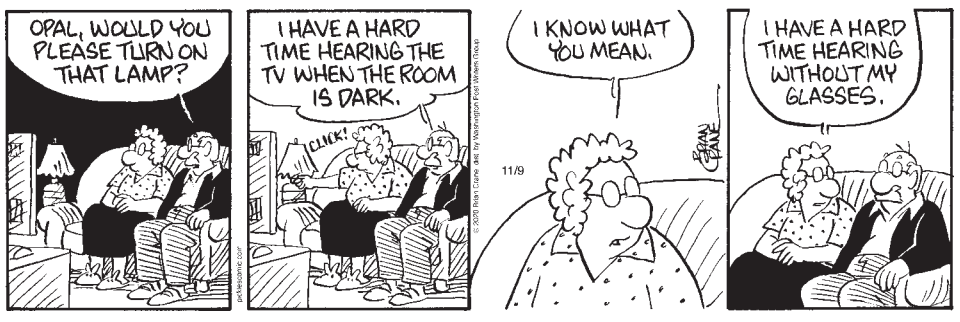
OPAL, WOULD YOU PLEASE TURN ON THAT LAMP?
I HAVE A HARD TIME HEARING THE TV WHEN THE ROOM IS DARK.
CLICK!
I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN.
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BRIAN CRANE
I HAVE A HARD TIME HEARING WITHOUT MY GLASSES.

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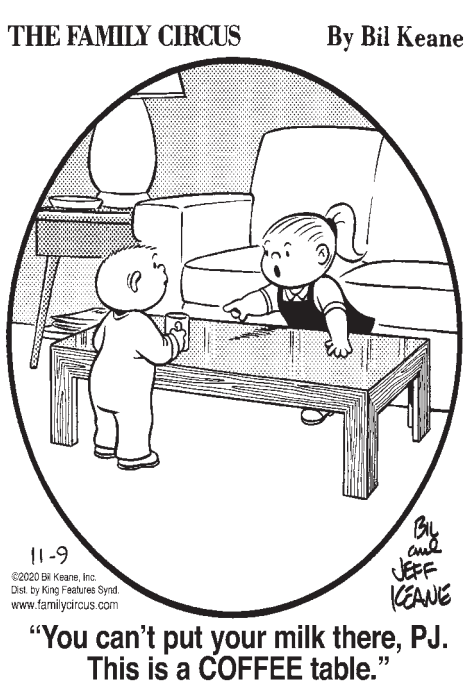
THE FAMILY CIRCUS
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"You can't put your milk there, PJ. This is a COFFEE table."

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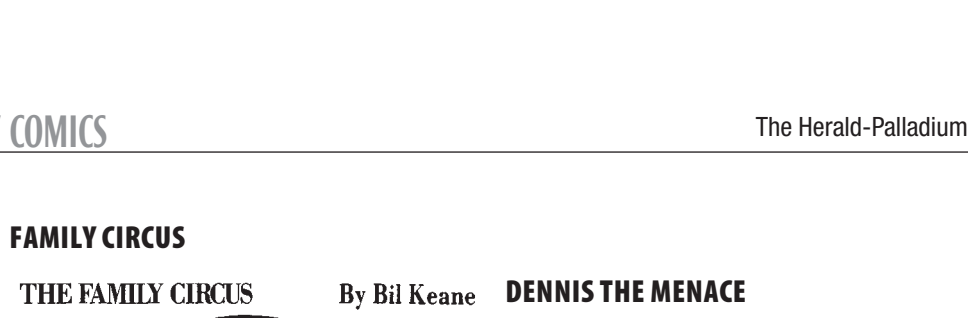
DON'T THINK, JUST GIVE ME YOUR FIRST REACTION TO SOMETHING.
OKAY...
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MIKE AND I ARE STARTING A HOOTIE AND THE BLOWFISH TRIBUTE BAND!
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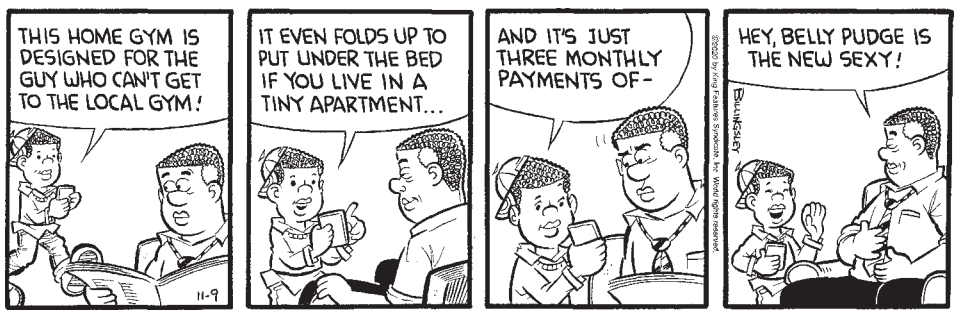
OKAY, WHAT'S YOUR SECOND REACTION?
WILLIAMS & SCOTT

CURTIS


THIS HOME GYM IS DESIGNED FOR THE GUY WHO CAN'T GET TO THE LOCAL GYM!
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IT EVEN FOLDS UP TO PUT UNDER THE BED IF YOU LIVE IN A TINY APARTMENT...
AND IT'S JUST THREE MONTHLY PAYMENTS OF-
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HEY, BELLY PUDGE IS THE NEW SEXY!

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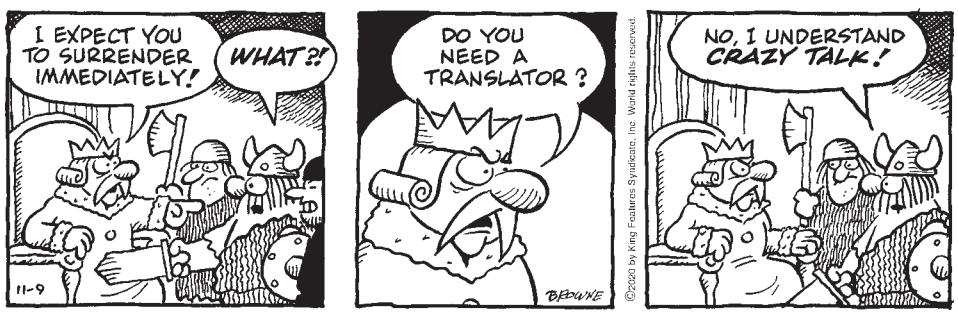
I EXPECT YOU TO SURRENDER IMMEDIATELY!
WHAT?!
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DO YOU NEED A TRANSLATOR ?
BROOME
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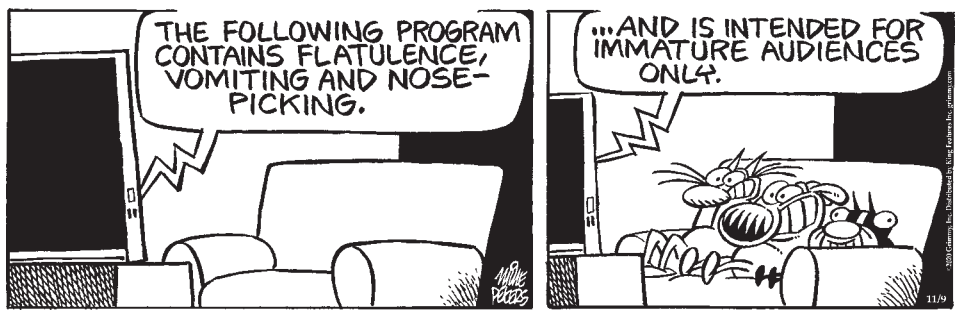
NO, I UNDERSTAND CRAZY TALK!

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM


THE FOLLOWING PROGRAM CONTAINS FLATULENCE, VOMITING AND NOSE-PICKING.
MIKE PEDERSEN
...AND IS INTENDED FOR IMMATURE AUDIENCES ONLY.
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MUTTS

SALLY FORTH

YOU LOOK A LITTLE STRESSED, JACKIE.
I'M NOT A LITTLE STRESSED. I'M A LOT OF STRESSED. I MEAN VERY STRESSED. I MEAN...
KEEFE
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HOLIDAY SEASON IS ALWAYS A HUGE PART OF A STORE'S YEARLY SALES. BUT THIS HOLIDAY HAS TO MAKE UP FOR ALL THE MONTHS WE WERE CLOSED, AND I HAVE NO IDEA HOW TO DO THAT.
11-9
HOW ABOUT WITH A NEW SLOGAN— "SEASON'S GREAT-INGS!"
THE STORE'S IN ENOUGH TROUBLE AS IT IS, RALPH. DON'T MAKE ME FEAR YOUR JOB AS A BUSINESS TEACHER IS IN JEOPARDY, TOO.

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THIS WEEKEND'S ISSUE

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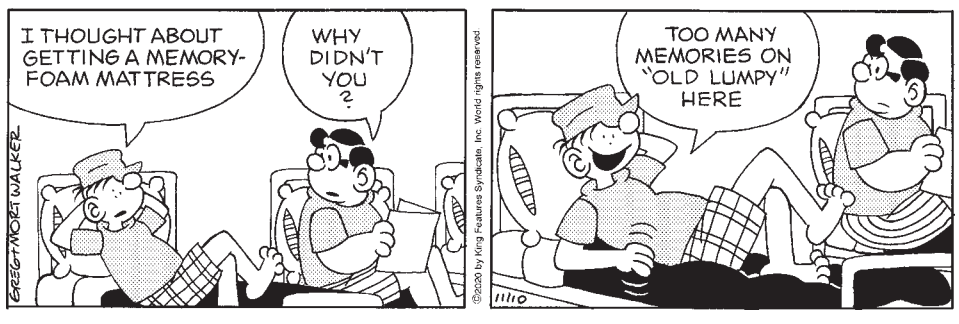
I THOUGHT ABOUT GETTING A MEMORY-FOAM MATTRESS
WHY DIDN'T YOU?
TOO MANY MEMORIES ON "OLD LUMPY" HERE
GREG MORI WALKER
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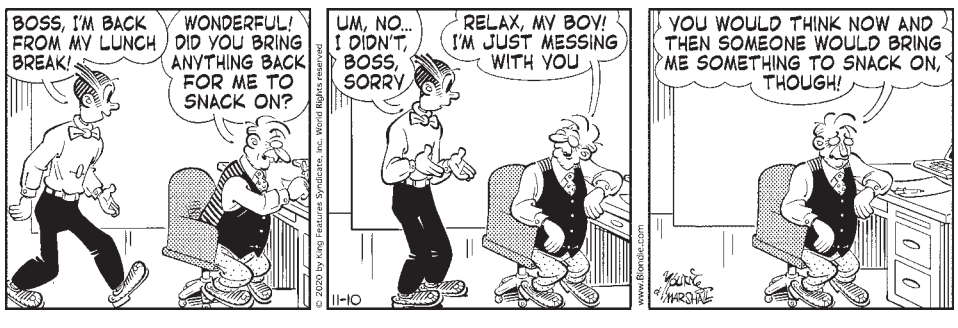
BOSS, I'M BACK FROM MY LUNCH BREAK!
WONDERFUL! DID YOU BRING ANYTHING BACK FOR ME TO SNACK ON?
UM, NO... I DIDN'T, BOSS, SORRY
RELAX, MY BOY! I'M JUST MESSING WITH YOU
YOU WOULD THINK NOW AND THEN SOMEONE WOULD BRING ME SOMETHING TO SNACK ON, THOUGH!
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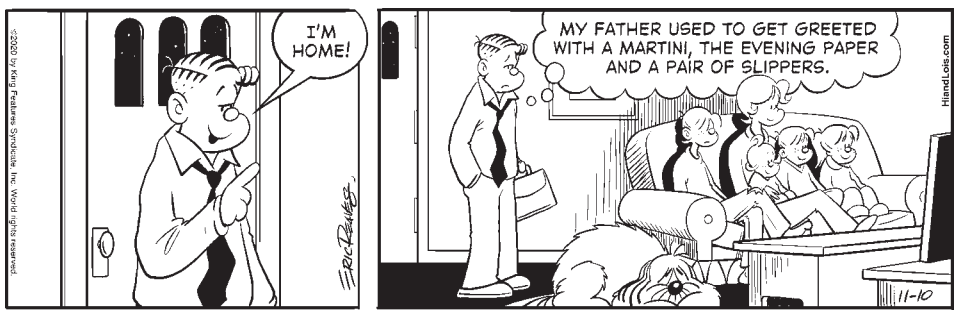
I'M HOME!
MY FATHER USED TO GET GREETED WITH A MARTINI, THE EVENING PAPER AND A PAIR OF SLIPPERS.
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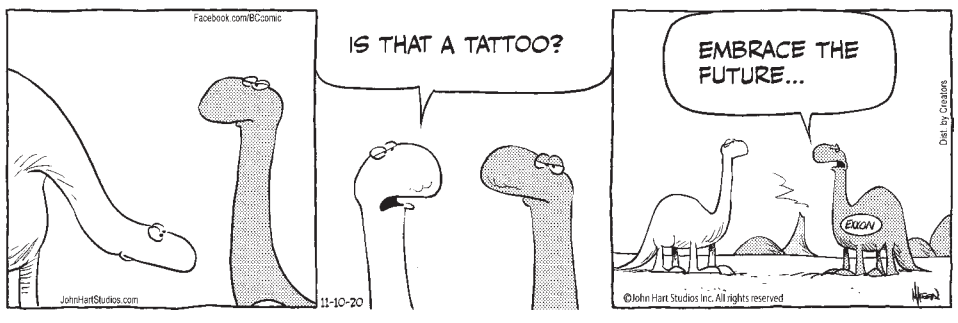

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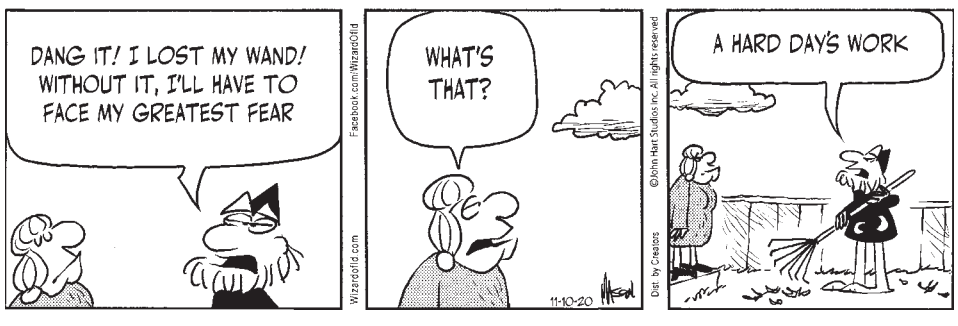
DANG IT! I LOST MY WAND! WITHOUT IT, I'LL HAVE TO FACE MY GREATEST FEAR
WHAT'S THAT?
A HARD DAY'S WORK
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DILBERT

TED, I HAVE TO FIRE YOU FOR LIKING AN UNACCEPTABLE TWEET SEVEN YEARS AGO ON TWITTER.
IT... IT... WASN'T ME. SOMEONE HACKED MY ACCOUNT, OR MAYBE MY FINGER SLIPPED.
WHICH LIE DO YOU WANT ME TO PUT IN YOUR FILE?
DID EITHER OF THEM SOUND PLAUSIBLE?
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GARFIELD

NOT MUCH BOTHERS ME
KICK KICK KICK
STOP KICKING MY CHAIR!!
OKAY, THERE ARE A FEW THINGS
KICK KICK
LIKE WHAT?
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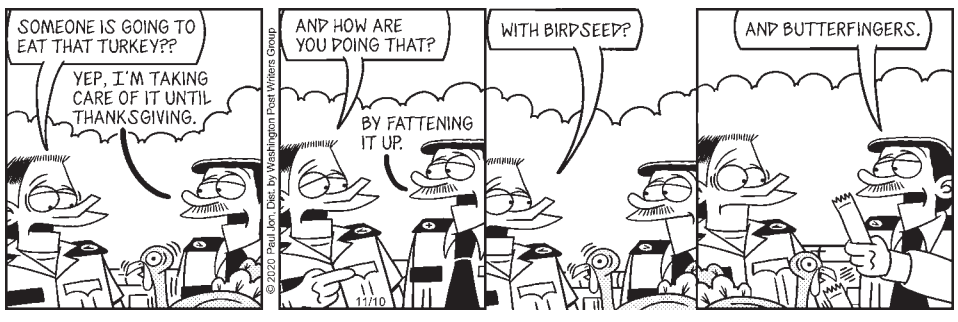
SOMEONE IS GOING TO EAT THAT TURKEY??
YEP, I'M TAKING CARE OF IT UNTIL THANKSGIVING.
AND HOW ARE YOU DOING THAT?
BY FATTENING IT UP.
WITH BIRDSEED?
AND BUTTERFINGERS.
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PICKLES

UGH! I DON'T FEEL GOOD.
NON-SENSE. YOU LOOK FINE.
SURE, YOU'VE GOT A FEW WRINKLES, AND YOU'VE PUT ON A FEW POUNDS, BUT WHAT DO YOU EXPECT AT YOUR AGE?
I DIDN'T SAY I DON'T LOOK GOOD! I SAID I DON'T FEEL GOOD!
I'LL SHOW MYSELF TO THE DOGHOUSE.
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FAMILY CIRCUS

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Bil and JEFF KEANE
"When you told me to clean my room, I didn't know you meant TODAY!"

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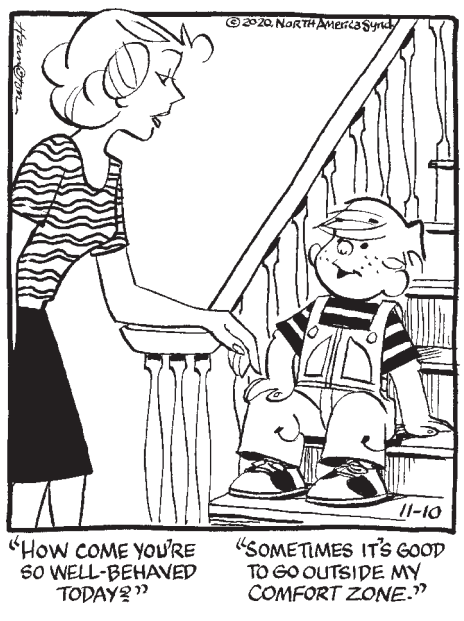

BABY BLUES

SO YOU THINK MIKE AND ME STARTING A BAND IS A BAD IDEA?
I DIDN'T SAY THAT.
I'LL ALWAYS BE THERE FOR YOU EVEN FOR THIS LITTLE...
DO NOT SAY "MIDLIFE CRISIS."
...DRIFT FROM REALITY?
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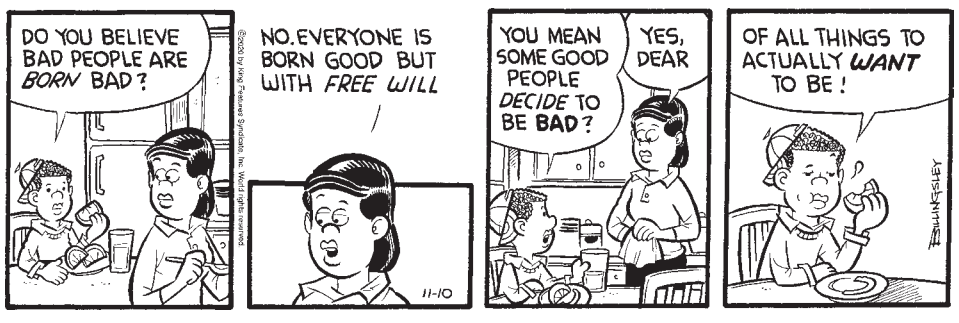
DO YOU BELIEVE BAD PEOPLE ARE BORN BAD?
NO. EVERYONE IS BORN GOOD BUT WITH FREE WILL
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YOU MEAN SOME GOOD PEOPLE DECIDE TO BE BAD?
YES, DEAR
OF ALL THINGS TO ACTUALLY WANT TO BE!
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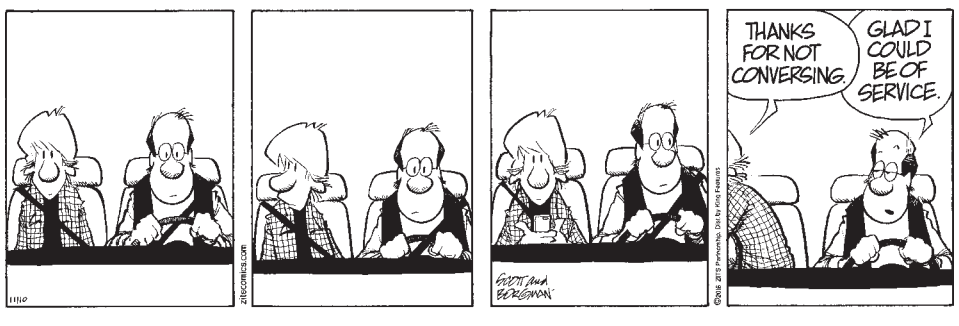

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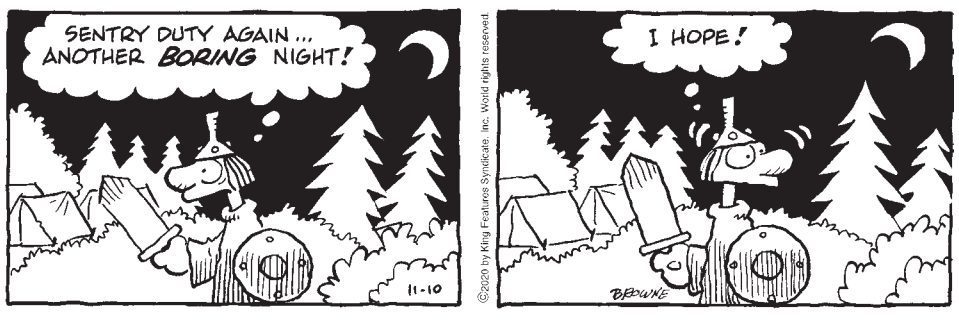

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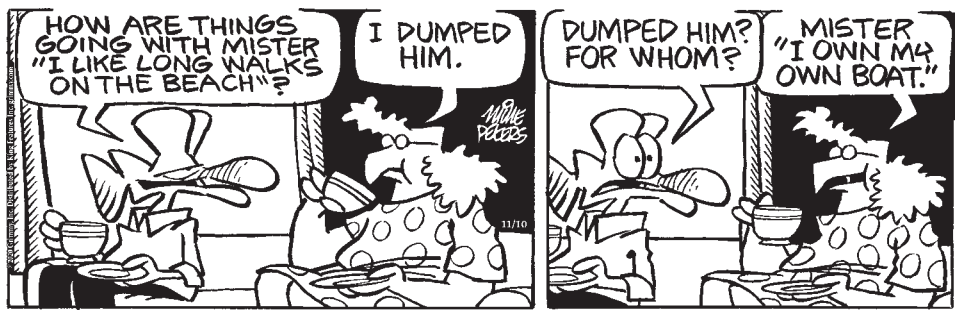
HOW ARE THINGS GOING WITH MISTER "I LIKE LONG WALKS ON THE BEACH"?
I DUMPED HIM.
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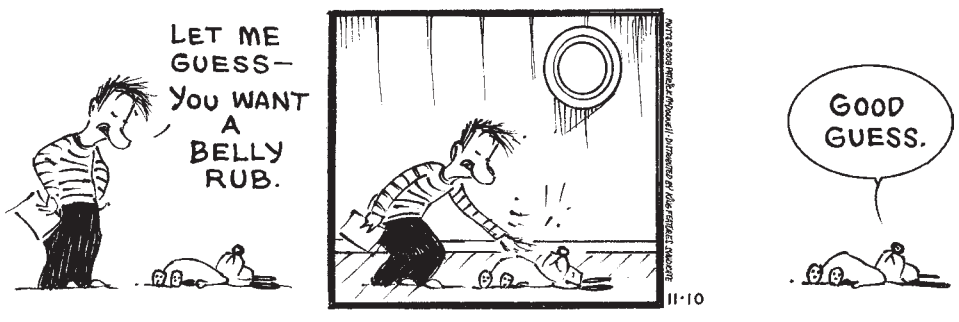
DUMPED HIM? FOR WHOM?
MISTER "I OWN MY OWN BOAT."

MUTTS



SALLY FORTH

I WAS JUST KIDDING ABOUT THE SLOGAN, JACKIE.
ARE YOU SAYING MY STORE IS A JOKE TO YOU?!
WHAT? NO! NOT AT ALL! I'M SORRY.
NO, I'M SORRY. I'M JUST WORRIED 24/7 NOW.
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WELL, JUST REMEMBER LAST SEASON. THINGS WILL WORK OUT AGAIN!
"THINGS WILL WORK OUT AGAIN"? THAT'S NOT A BUSINESS STRATEGY!
THAT'S LIKE THE WORST TAROT CARD EVER! WHAT'S THE DRAWING ON THE CARD, A DUCK SHRUGGING?! OKAY, SORRY, SORRY...

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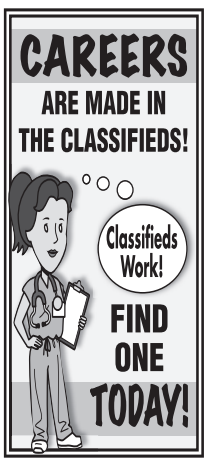

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Pace yourself, consider your objective and be secretive regarding your intentions. Share with like-minded people and those who can contribute to your journey. Change is in the air, but it's up to you to take advantage of every opportunity that comes your way. Choose a unique path that encourages creativity, spirituality and peace of mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't sit back when you need to take action. Harness your energy and get moving. Don't count on others when it's up to you to effect change.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) An emotional situation will surface if you let someone meddle or interfere with your plans. Personal improvements will boost your morale. Don't rely on someone's promises.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll face opposition if you pressure others to do things your way. Go about your business and finish what you start. An unusual offer will entice you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Resolve money matters. How you delegate responsibilities will determine if you can move forward peacefully. Don't get involved in matters that don't concern you. Personal improvement is favored.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Share your ideas and look for equality in every personal or professional interaction you encounter. An unexpected change will work in your favor.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may crave change, but before you make a move, consider your motives and your options. Patience will be required if you intend to reach your goal. Settling for less will lead to dissatisfaction.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take the plunge. Stand up for your rights, go after your goals and engage in conversations that address sensitive issues. A partnership will encourage personal growth and professional gains.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do something that requires energy, agility and a competitive mindset. A physical challenge will bring out the best in you. Aggressive action will deter anyone from taking you for granted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Moderation is favored. Speak up if you don't like what someone is doing. You may not relish making a change, but consider the alternative, and do what's necessary to improve your situation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take care of matters that require physical exertion. A change will encourage you to strive for a better future. Distance yourself from a movement that doesn't share your point of view.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your emotions will push you in a positive direction. An unusual partnership will encourage you to try something new and incorporate what you learn into your everyday routine.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't expect to get along or agree with the people you encounter today. Consider your options and put your energy into something that will bring you closer to your goal.

The Herald-Palladium
Now Hiring

Newspaper Inserter

The Herald-Palladium is looking to add to our current staff for our production/distribution department. The main function of the position is to work as part of a team while operating the equipment to insert advertisements into the newspapers produced at our print site. Must have attention to detail to ensure the products are inserted properly.

Job Type: Part-time

For an application, email Bruce btheisen@heraldpalladium.com

No Calls Please!

Trade Lines

Tradeline home delivery routes opening (once a week delivery). Please contact Julie Simpleman to apply 269-429-1877

1. Saint Joseph - East of Niles Ave: St. Joseph Dr. into downtown St. Joe $150/2weeks

2. Baroda - Linco to West Hinchman and East, as far as Hollywood Rd. $75.00/2weeks

3. Benton Harbor - Meadowbrook/Sodus Parkway area to E. Empire and East, as far as M140 $240/2weeks

4. Berrien Springs - Area off of Old 31/M 139 - John Beers Rd to East Lemon Creek and West, as far as Hollywood Rd. $270/2 weeks

CITY OF BENTON HARBOR
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS –
1. TREE/BUSH TRIMMING AND GRINDING BUILDING SERVICES
2. ALLEY DEBRIS CLEAN UP

The City of Benton Harbor invites interested parties to submit written proposals to provide contract, as-needed Building Official, Inspection and Plan Check services for the City of Benton Harbor.

Please submit proposals to:
Kimberly Thompson, City Clerk
City of Benton Harbor
200 East Wall Street
Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022

Please include in the envelope five (5) bound hard copies of the proposal, one un-bound hard copy and one electronic copy (on a USB flash drive).

Proposals must be placed in the drop box in front of City Hall, located at 200 E. Wall Street or mailed by the deadline. Any proposals received after the time and date specified, shall be declared unresponsive, and will be returned to the sender without review or further comment from the City. Proposals may not be submitted via email or fax. Bidder is hereby advised that depositing proposals with postal, package, or common carriers does not constitute delivery of the same to City. The City of Benton Harbor assumes no responsibility for late arrival.

Formal proposals must be received by Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 10:00 AM. At such time, bids will be publically opened and read aloud. Due to Public Act 228 of 2020, the bid opening will be conducted virtually. Instructions on how to participate will be posted on the City of Benton Harbor's website, www.bhcity.us.

All inquiries regarding this Request for Proposal and/or current Building Services of the City should be directed to Ellis Mitchell, City Manager in writing or via email at: emitchell@bhcity.us or by telephone at (269) 927-8457.

The City reserves the right to reject all proposals, to request additional information concerning any proposals for purposes of clarification, to accept or negotiate any modification to any proposal following the deadline for receipt of all proposals, and to waive any irregularities if such would serve the best interest of the City as determined by the City Manager.

It should be noted that the City may select one or more firms to provide the services described in the Scope of Services; however, award of contract does not guarantee work.

Kimberly Thompson, City Clerk
City of Benton Harbor
11/5/2020

NOTICE OF IN-PERSON AND ZOOM PUBLIC HEARING

Public Body: St. Joseph Charter Township Board of Trustees
Date of Public Hearing: Monday, December 7
Time of Public Hearing: 6:05 p.m.
Place of Meeting: St. Joseph Charter Township, Board Meeting Room, 3000 Washington Ave., St. Joseph, MI 49085 and electronically via Zoom

Purpose of Public Hearing: To consider a request for placing No Wake buoys on the St. Joseph River.

Reason for Electronic Meeting offering:
Reasons for offering electronic meetings are to comply with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' emergency order issued October 8, 2020 restricting the size of indoor gatherings, designed to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, and to allow full and safe participation by members of the public body and the public at large without risking the spread of COVID-19. Physical attendance will be limited to 20 persons in the Board Meeting Room. All others wishing to attend must do so electronically.

Public Participation Procedures: The public may join this meeting through Zoom, an electronic meeting platform, on any device that will connect to the internet i.e., smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop. In order to hear and be heard the device must be equipped with a speaker and microphone. Public participants will be asked to mute audio during the meeting except during the Public Comment portion of the meeting. At that time, a member of the public may speak when addressed by the Supervisor. Public participants are encouraged to speak one at a time in a clear manner. A public invitation will be posted on the Township website main page www.sjct.org as shown below:

Topic: **St. Joseph Charter Township Board of Trustees Meeting December 7 2020**
Time: **Dec 7, 2020 06:00 PM** Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86305625673?pwd=dCs4dW9JRUVBVnFjWGVQYjRyMk9BQT09

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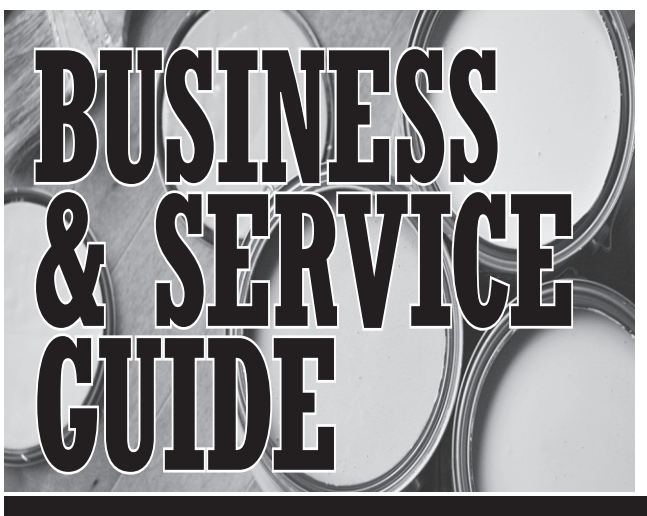
This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended Open Meetings Act (OMA), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and PA 228 of 220 which amends the OMA.

The St. Joseph Charter Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon three (3) days' notice to the St. Joseph Charter Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services or individuals desiring additional information on business to be conducted at this meeting should contact the St. Joseph Charter Township Board by writing, emailing or calling the following:

Patrice Rose, Clerk ,
3000 Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 147,
St. Joseph, MI 49085,
269-429-7703



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